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HONG KONG HAS A NARROW SQUEAK

Air Crash Questions

Questions relating to the Catalina flying-boat crash off Macao on July 16 will be made at today's meeting of the Legislative Council.

The Honourable Mr. N.O.C. Marsh, Unofficial Member, will ask the Government's assurance that an enquiry will be held into the cause of the disaster, and that such enquiry will be held according to the procedure and practice in force in the United Kingdom.

Catalina Clue

PIRACY THEORY BORNE OUT

The shell of a discharged bullet was found in the wreckage of the Catalina flying-boat which crashed off Macao on July 16.

Discovery of this clue bears out the theory of the Macao Police that the crash resulted from an abortive attempt at air piracy.

The Associated Press reported from Macao last night that a discharged pistol shell was found in the wreckage of the flying-boat which was lifted on Monday and towed on a raft to Macao yesterday.

The report is credited to an "unimpeachable source close to the Macao Police."

Associated Press added that a heavy police guard has been thrown around the wrecked plane which resembles a huge exploded fire-cracker with both ends blown out and wings gone.

Twenty-six passengers and crew were killed in the crash, three miles east of Macao. There was only one survivor, a Chinese, now in the Police Hospital.

JUNKMEN DROWNED AT SHEK-O

Two members of a junk crew are believed to have been drowned at Shek-O yesterday when nine men tried to reach the shore in a small sampan.

The crew arrived off Shek-O on Monday night with a broken rudder and torn sails after experiencing rough weather on the way from Swatow.

Carrying nine crew, including the master Wong Fuk-yam and 240 piculs of salt, the junk cleared from Swatow at 6 p.m. on Monday and ran into bad weather four hours later. It drifted to Shek-O where it was anchored.

The anchor chain broke at 7 a.m. yesterday. The crew took to their sampans and tried to reach shore. The sampans capsized and threw the nine men overboard.

A roll call later showed two crew missing.

Typhoon Misses Colony By Only 20 Miles

FILLING UP IN MIRS BAY

Typhoon Rose, which swept from Northern Luzon across the China Sea and skirted the Pratas Islands, missed Hong Kong by 20 miles yesterday.

Travelling at between eight and 10 knots, with a minimum velocity of 50 miles in the centre, the typhoon passed 20 miles east of the Colony at 3 p.m. heading for Mirs Bay, where it was last reported filling up.

Several partially demolished houses collapsed yesterday killing at least two persons, a 66-year-old woman and a two-year-old girl, and injuring several others.

The ss. Sangola tied to Buoy A-11 snapped her chain at 6.30 p.m. and began drifting. With the assistance of the Caroline Moller, summoned from Hung Hom Bay, she managed to anchor near buoy A-7.

A Chinese Customs cruiser was last night reported in difficulties somewhere between Hong Kong and Canton. Local naval authorities told the "China Mail" that they had not intercepted any distress signals from ships.

Gusto headed in Hong Kong reached 73 miles an hour. This was recorded at 5 p.m. Visibility outside the harbour was reduced to half a mile.

Other damage suffered in the Colony included smashed signboards, broken windows, and fences swept down by the wind.

Sea and air communications were disrupted. Only three planes left Kai-Tak in the morning. They were CNAC, CAC, and a BOAC plane. One Trans-Asiatic Aviation Company plane from Manila was diverted to Canton. Kai Tak airfield was closed for the day.

Shipping services between Hong Kong and Canton and Hong Kong and Macao were also disrupted. Only two motor-ships arrived from Canton early yesterday morning. None left for either Canton or Macao.

Several ocean-going vessels heading for Hong Kong slowed down to avoid being caught in the typhoon. Others remained outside the harbour and will enter this morning.

Ferry services between Hong Kong and outlying islands were suspended throughout the day. A curtailed service was maintained between Hong Kong and points on the Mainland until 1.45 p.m. when the service with Yumati, Monikok and Shamshuipo was stopped. The Star Ferry carried on until 4 p.m. when the high swell and strong current made berthing difficult and dangerous.

Ferry services will resume this morning.

HMS Concord and HMS Alert remained at their buoys in the naval anchorage.

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PICTURE OF THE DAY

Pin-Up Number One



Mlle. Arlette Brandes, Parisian, came to Hong Kong after winning the title of pin-up girl of France at a contest held in the English Casino on July 11.

TWO DEAD IN HOUSE COLLAPSE

Two were killed and 11 injured in house collapses during the heavy rain which accompanied yesterday's stormy weather.

A two-story house in Ngau Chiwan, near Customs Pass, collapsed, burying nine persons. An old woman and a baby girl were killed and seven injured.

The walls of a semi-demolished building in Queen's Road West near Centre Street caved in, burying two Chinese. The men were extricated by the Fire Brigade and taken to hospital.

In Bridges Street the wall of a partly demolished building collapsed on top of some squatters' huts. There were no casualties.

Caught in a shed when it collapsed at 10 p.m., yesterday two Chinese were sent to the Queen Mary Hospital. The shed was at the corner of Des Voeux Road West and Whitty Street.

LAICHIKOK SINKING

Sixty-one people had a narrow escape from being washed into the harbour last night. Seven were treated at the Kowloon Hospital for slight injuries and exposure.

The 260-ton junk, Kwong Fat Lung, carrying general cargo, 34 crew, 15 carpenters and 12 passengers reached Hong Kong from Canton at 2.45 p.m. yesterday.

The junk tied up alongside the Socony wharf at Laichikok. At 9 p.m. yesterday it was severely buffeted against the wharf. Those on board scrambled ashore in heavy rain and wind. Several were almost blown into the sea. The junk sank an hour later.

The rest of the crew and passengers sheltered in a Socony godown at Laichikok.

THE BRITISH STOMACH

London, July 27. The Daily Express said today that its public opinion poll showed 53 per cent of Britons believe themselves underfed.

Forty-one per cent said they were getting enough to eat but six per cent were undecided.

If they had a chance of more food, Britons would choose in his order—more fats, sugar, meat, tea, butter and cheese.—United Press.

Truman Asks Fight Against Inflation

Washington, July 27.

President Henry S. Truman, in a message to a special session of Congress today, requested re-establishment of price control for scarce commodities and other measures to fight inflation.

Mr. Truman said: "Our people demand legislative action by the government to check the inflation and rising cost of living and to help in meeting the acute housing shortage."

"These matters affect the entire world for world peace depends upon the strength of our economy. Communists, both here and abroad, are counting on the present prosperity turning into a depression. They do not believe we can win a war on high prices. They are counting on an economic collapse in this country."

"If we should bring on another great depression in the United States by failing to control high prices, the world's hope for a lasting peace would vanish. A depression in the United States would cut the ground from under the free nations of Europe. An economic collapse in this country would prevent recovery throughout the world, which is essential to a lasting peace. We would have only ourselves to blame for the tragedy that would follow."

"It would be reckless folly if we failed to act against inflation. The cost of living now is higher than ever before in our history. We cannot risk the danger of suffering the hardship of another eight months of doing nothing about high prices."

Mr. Truman said: "If we do not stop inflation, production and employment will both fall sharply when the break comes. Positive action by this Government is long overdue. It must be taken now."

"I recommend that the excess profits tax be reestablished to provide the Treasury with a surplus and provide a brake on inflation."

"I recommend consumer credit controls be restored to hold down inflationary credit."

"I recommend the Federal Reserve Board be given greater authority to regulate inflationary bank credit."

"I recommend authority be granted to regulate speculation on commodity exchanges."

"I recommend authority be granted for allocation and inventory control of scarce commodities which basically affect essential production or the cost of living."

NEW LICENCE SYSTEM To Prevent Leakage Of Exchange

To prevent leakage of foreign exchange proceeds of exports the system of granting Export Licences will be modified as from August 3, it was officially stated yesterday.

The statement released yesterday explaining the new system to be introduced follows:

The export of commodities to all countries except the Sterling Area and China may only be made under licence. This is the system at present prevailing, but the changes which will be introduced are to ensure that the exchange proceeds of exports are surrendered to the Exchange Controller.

Applications for Export Licences to all countries (except Macao, U.S.A., Philippines and Korea) will be in triplicate on the green Form 2A, and the applicant must state the Bank through which the exchange proceeds will be received. These exchange proceeds must be surrendered to the Exchange Controller.

Applications for exports to Macao, U.S.A., Philippines, and Korea, must be in duplicate on the yellow Form 2B. The exchange proceeds to such exports may be retained by the exporter with the exception of articles on his restricted list.

The restricted list comprises any goods which originate in the Sterling Area (except Hong Kong), wood, oil, silver, diamonds, gunny bags, preserved ginger in casks or jars, tin. In respect of the commodities on the restricted list the green Licence Form must be used and proceeds surrendered as hitherto, i.e. 100 per cent in respect of all commodities except wood, oil, silver, and tin, in which case only 25 per cent will be required when financed in U.S. dollars.

Revised Licence Forms will be brought into use as from Aug. 3. These differ in detail from those at present in use and the Import and Export Department will accept the old form of licence until stocks are exhausted.

YANGTZE DECISION

Nanking, July 27. A responsible official of the Ministry of Communications explained today that the decision permitting foreign flag ships to carry American aid supplies up river to Nanking and Hankow does not mean the opening of China's inland navigation.

The official made the explanation in reply to objections raised by Chinese shipping circles. He said the decision was only a temporary measure to permit the shipment of American aid supplies up river to Nanking and Hankow. He said the aid supplies were allowed to be shipped up river to river to save discharging and re-shipping expenses at Shanghai.—United Press.

BODY AND SOUL ENDANGERED

Holworthy, July 27. Dr. Stuart Craddock summoned the Rev. E. Royle to court for ringing his church bells at the "frightful hour" of 6.30 a.m.

He said: "Bells ringing at this frightful hour produces such a rage that my physical health is in danger and such wicked thoughts that my soul is in even greater peril."—United Press.

HMS Sussex In Kure

Kure, July 27. The British cruiser, H.M.S. Sussex, anchored today at Kure, the first of the vessels of the British Pacific Fleet which will take part in Anglo-American naval manoeuvres in Japanese waters to reach Japan.

The British squadron will consist of H.M.S. London, flying the flag of Admiral Sir Denis Boyd, Commander in Chief, British Pacific Fleet. H.M.S. Sussex, flying the flag of Rear-Admiral R. H. Oliver, commanding Fifth Cruiser Squadron, five destroyers of the Cossack class and three escort ships.—Agence France Press.

RUSSIANS CONDUCT MOCK WAR

Berlin, July 27. Russian ground and air forces in the Soviet Zone of Germany are engaged in the largest manoeuvres since the end of the war, intelligence sources of the Western Allies said today.

Up to 500,000 men reinforced with the latest German-produced jet fighters and 62-ton Tiger tanks are taking part in the mock war.

Information available to the Western Allies indicates the Russians are employing squadrons of German-built jet fighters; Messerschmitt 109s and Focke-Wulf 190s, the fastest jet-propelled aircraft of the latter day German Air Force.

The summer manoeuvres are said to be under way from the Thuringian Forest. Similar large-scale exercises held by the Russians before but not on the present scale.—United Press.

MALAY POSITION IMPROVING

Kuala Lumpur, July 27. Major General Charles Boucher, Commander of the British Forces in Malaya, told the Malayan Federal Council today that the Communist-led insurgent attacks are showing signs of decreasing.

"Insurgent activity continues throughout the Federation of Malaya but the scale shows a slight decrease, especially in the south," he said.—United Press.

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FACTORY FRESH DELIVERED DAILY



YANGTZE RIVER ON RAMPAGE

Shanghai, July 27.

The mighty Yangtze River today continued on a rampage from the upper reaches through Central China.

The river is threatening to flood countless acres in a repetition of the tragic break through of 1931 which took thousands of lives.

The situation at Hankow was reported to be critical, with the water level already higher than the high tide of the 1931 floods. At Nanking the waters also are rising steadily, with one suburb under water as the flood crest spilled over dykes.

Anti-flood squads have been mobilized. Crews of city workers were sent to the levees. If they had a chance of more food, Britons would choose in his order—more fats, sugar, meat, tea, butter and cheese.—United Press.



LOAN EXPENDITURE OF 30 MILLIONS

WITHOUT THE OPTION

Lau Fook, aged 40, the admitted keeper of an opium den on the first floor of No. 20 Eastern Street, was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment without the option of a fine by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

Lau had to his credit one previous conviction for a similar offence and was then sentenced to six months' imprisonment without the option of a fine by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

All six smokers failed to answer their charges and had their names entered.

HOLLYWOOD RD. DIVAN

The third floor of No. 250 Hollywood Road was raided by Inspector Winch and party on the night of Monday when he found half the flat used as an opium den and arrested Poon Siu, and 20 smokers.

Pleading guilty as keeper before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday, Poon, who had a previous conviction for a similar offence, was sentenced to a fine of \$1,000 or six months.

All the 20 smokers had their names entered when they failed to answer their charges.

JUMPED DURING OPIUM RAID

During a police raid on an opium den on July 3, one of the smokers, Siu Tait, 27, escaped by jumping from the verandah onto Inspector Smith's car.

The car was damaged. Repairs cost HK\$240.

At the Kowloon Court yesterday, Siu was charged with escaping from lawful arrest and with smoking opium. Mr. J. Wickes sentenced defendant to six months' imprisonment on the first charge and fined him \$35 on the second.

CANE FOR SNATCHER

For attempting to snatch the handbag of Mrs. Albert Wong in Peking Road, Kowloon, on Monday night, 23-year-old Yiu Pui was sentenced to six months' hard labour and six strokes by Mr. J. Wickes at Kowloon Court yesterday.

The Acting Financial Secretary will ask the Legislative Council this afternoon to approve expenditure of HK\$30,360,747 during the financial year 1946-47, to be met from loan funds and charged as an advance from the surplus funds of the Colony.

The schedule of the Loan expenditure follows:

Funds allocated	Expenditure up to 31.3.47	Funds allocated	Expenditure up to 31.3.47
Item 1—Agriculture, forestry and gardens		Item 7—Medical services	
Agricultural experimental station	165,000 88,427	Hospital and laboratory equipment	255,000 1,005
Cattle and pig breeding stations	23,000 15,879	Supplementary services in-patient to non-Govt. hospitals	1,440,000 —
Farm and animal husbandry equipment	178,000 1,548		1,715,000 1,005
Forestry services	652,000 828,205	Item 8—Miscellaneous	
Rehabilitation of grounds and gardens	422,000 144,014	Instrument and machinery	2,320,000 121,455
	1,470,000 556,970	Miscellaneous equipment	550,000 6,441
Item 2—Air and meteorological services		Motor transport	3,352,560 1,752,802
Airport equipment	52,000 —	Office equipment and furniture	442,040 25,481
Boats and pontoons	70,000 650	Recreation and amusements	85,000 1,300
Launches	125,000 —	Libraries	1,804,700 302,052
Maritime and meteorological instruments	57,000 4,207	Communications	5,500,000 2,239,319
	310,000 4,917	Item 9—Public works	
Item 3—Buildings		Anti-malarial works	650,000 81,873
Leighton Hill quarters	5,000,000 109,374	Demolition of defence and other works	2,280,000 140,227
Peak Pavilion	1,500,000 —	Drainage, sewers, and drains	2,400,000 458,824
Queen's Gardens	2,100,000 —	Kai Tai airport	270,000 18,300
King's Park	3,000,000 —	New airport	1,600,000 141,010
Kowloon City police station	1,500,000 —	Night disposal installation	175,000 100
Hay View police station	750,000 —	Piers and sea walls	4,750,000 382,216
Hung Hom	750,000 —	Public recreation areas and buildings	850,000 —
Shaukiwan	750,000 —	Quarries and road depots	850,000 —
Police headquarters, N.T.	1,000,000 —	Roads and bridges	8,000,000 608,068
Police training school	225,000 —	Street lighting and traffic signs	500,000 44,076
King's College	1,000,000 —		30,870,000 1,941,418
Vernacular primary school	800,000 —	Item 10—Railways	
Kowloon Junior School	850,000 —	Buildings	575,500 8,193
Offices, Gardens Dept.	200,000 —	Equipment and tools	2,428,500 106,082
Temporary offices, P.W.D.	415,000 —	General repairs	747,000 288,673
Workshops and garage, P.W.D.	500,000 —	Motor transport	82,000 81,840
Restoration of damaged Govt. buildings	11,010,000 2,575,321	Permanent way	2,428,500 662,459
Restoration of damaged non-Govt. buildings	1,250,000 341,240	Rolling stock	18,125,000 —
Restoration of light-houses	400,000 6,556		24,400,000 801,185
Clearance of debris and dangerous structures	625,000 225,472	Item 11—Waterworks	
Minor works	70,000 7,920	Catchwaters and conduits	250,000 127,109
Property purchased by Govt.	600,000 —	Filter and chlorination	1,470,000 106,082
	33,175,000 3,355,947	Maine and hydrants	767,000 44,140
Item 4—Claims and compensation		Meters	879,000 350
Claims, pre-judgment and occupation	30,000,000 10,194,600	Office equipment	30,000 64
Compensation on resumption	800,000 —	Pumping plant	685,000 2,705
	30,800,000 10,194,600	Rail quarters	830,000 29,605
Item 5—Education		Tai Lam Chung Valley scheme (preliminary expenses)	300,000 44,633
Equipment and furniture, Govt. schools	2,168,000 287,975	Visual instruments and equipment	300,000 16,233
Building grants to non-Govt. schools	604,000 100,983		5,000,000 481,478
Equipment and furniture grants to non-Govt. schools	201,000 73,477	Totals	50,000,000 30,800,747
Grant to H.K. University	4,000,000 —		
	7,210,000 473,455		

Supplementary financial provision for the first quarter ended June 30, 1948, amounting to HK\$9,034,971, will come up for approval at this afternoon's Legislative Council meeting.

PAN AMERICAN PLANE DELAYED

Due to the weather conditions, the P.A.A. plane from U.S.A., via Manila, due yesterday, is now expected to arrive today.

Trial of RAF Men

Owing to the typhoon, hearing of the trial of Aircraftman Douglas Jamieson and Stanley Hulme at the Criminal Sessions on a charge of robbery with violence, was adjourned yesterday by Mr. Justice Reynolds (Acting Police Judge), until 10 a.m. today.

Tito On Treaty With US

Prague, July 22. Marshal Tito, discussing Yugoslav participation in the Marshall plan, told ex-Governor Culbert Olson of California that he would welcome a trade treaty with the United States "without any political conditions."

Mr. Olson arrived here from Belgrade today on a private tour of Europe.

He said that he saw Marshal Tito for 55 minutes last night at the White Palace in Belgrade.

Mr. Olson said that during the discussion of Yugoslav economy, he told Marshal Tito he would "like to see Yugoslavia in the Marshall Plan."

"We have been trying to get a trade treaty with the United States," Marshal Tito said in reply. "Yes, we want one now, but without any political conditions."

—United Press.

Overseas Chinese Regulation

Nanking, July 27. The Executive Yuan is completing draft regulations to permit overseas Chinese to make remittances to their homeland "under conditions mutually beneficial to themselves and the Government," an official source said.

Incorporating recommendations of the Central Bank Governor, Mr. O. K. Yui, made to the Legislative Yuan a month ago, the new measures may be placed in force by August 1 if the ministries concerned reach full agreement.

The ministries of finance, commerce and industry, and communications are all working on the joint draft.

The Peace Daily reported without comment the source that the Government would seek to increase the flow of remittances from overseas by sending officials to Hong Kong to co-operate with the Colony's Government to prevent such remittances entering the Hong Kong black market—Associated Press.

HAD PREVIOUS CONVICTION

Li Ping, aged 48, keeper of a divan at an unnumbered hut at Ko Shing Street, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment without the option of a fine by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

Defendant, who had a previous conviction was also recommended for banishment.

The balls of seven smokers who failed to attend were estrated.

HSU SHIH-YING COMING HERE

Nanking, July 27. Hsu Shih-ying, chairman of the Mongolian and Tibetan Affairs Commission, left here last night for Shanghai on route to Hong Kong on vacation.—United Press.

COWIE CASE:

COUNSEL QUOTES OLD ARMY SAYING

The old Army saying, "Obey the order first and complain afterwards" was quoted by Mr. B. A. Bernacchi at the Supreme Court during yesterday's hearing of the action by Inspector W. H. Cowie against the Hong Kong Government for wrongful dismissal.

Mr. Bernacchi made the quotation when he explained to Mr. Justice Gould (Acting Chief Justice), that Cowie had been ordered, not requested, to attend before the Board of Inquiry. If he had refused to attend before the Board, he would have been liable to instant dismissal.

Cowie was arrested in June last on an allegation that he had accepted a bribe of \$50 while on duty as a Police Traffic Officer. Legal proceedings were instituted but these were withdrawn and replaced by a departmental enquiry, on the findings of which the Governor ordered his dismissal.

The case for the Crown rests on res judicata (the case had already been adjudicated upon following the holding of a duly constituted Board of Inquiry set up under the Police Force Regulations Ordinance, and the decision was final unless it was upset by the case being brought to a higher Court for adjudication).

Cowie is represented by Mr. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr. Y. L. Chan of Messrs. Tse and Hodgson. The defendant is the Attorney General, nominated representative of the Crown and is represented by Mr. A. Lonsdale, Acting Solicitor General.

Mr. Bernacchi said that the Board of Inquiry, not being able to make an order or award, was not in itself a final tribunal. The Governor had not set up the Board of Inquiry nor did he direct the Board as to the issue to be tried. Furthermore, the statutory right of the Governor to dismiss under Section 18 of the Ordinance was in no way connected with a Board of Inquiry which had been set up for the purpose of making recommendations to the Governor, dismissing the plaintiff sufficiently connected with the Board of Inquiry hearing as to make that hearing final which would otherwise not be final.

Section 16 was entirely independent of Section 12 and it in no way incorporated any procedure by way of Board of Inquiry. The Board was to a certain extent rather similar to tribunals or courts as, for instance, a coroner's court.

Guidance Of Certain People

The very absence of the Board was to inquire into certain matters and when it did reach a finding that finding was for the guidance of certain people only and could not be held out as res judicata.

Mr. Bernacchi said that it was not open to the defendant, upon the pleadings, to suggest that the Court should take first of all the Board of Inquiry and then the decision of the Governor. On the pleadings, the defendant would have to stand or fall on the question of whether or not the finding of the Board of Inquiry was a matter judicially determined. The plaintiff attended before the Board of Inquiry because he was ordered, not requested, to do so and if he had failed to appear, he would have been instantly dismissed. Mr. Bernacchi then quoted the old Army saying, "Obey the order first and complain afterwards."

Mr. Bernacchi then referred to the question of just judicial tribunals and the effect of findings reached by such tribunals.

Finally, Mr. Bernacchi said that the parties in this action were not sufficiently the same as the parties before the Board of Inquiry to give rise to res judicata in any event. The controversy before the Court, being as to whether or not plaintiff was wrongfully dismissed, and the controversy before the Board, being as to whether or not plaintiff was guilty of conduct calculated to bring the public service into disrepute, the public service into disrepute.

repute, were not necessarily the same issue, and therefore could not give rise to estoppel.

There was no finality in the decision of the Board of Inquiry itself and that finality was not given by any dismissal by the Governor under Section 18.

On the question of finality, Mr. Bernacchi said that in all cases of quasi judicial tribunals, it would be found in the foundation of such tribunals the essence of finality given to those tribunals where it gave rise to estoppel.

Replying, Mr. Lonsdale first referred to the contract under which plaintiff had been employed and in particular to clause 8 which dealt with the question of dismissal.

He said that, within the terms of the contract, the Governor was entitled to dismiss. It was, however, entirely within the discretion of the Governor whether or not he would exercise that right. Even were it necessary for the Crown to show misconduct to satisfy a jury, Mr. Lonsdale contended that the rule of res judicata would apply to the extent of permitting the Crown to allege misconduct without going through all the evidence which had been the basis of the finding by the Board of Inquiry. Thereafter, that finding could be made the basis of a submission that there was no case to go to the jury. Even beyond that, any misconduct would justify dismissal. Mr. Lonsdale said that if the new action raised more issues but included the issue previously adjudicated upon, there was res judicata.

After referring to the fact that all servants of the Crown were directly responsible to the Crown and that the Board of Inquiry was set up by law, Mr. Lonsdale said that the fundamental principle in the interpretation of Statutes was that they should be read as a whole.

Hearing was then adjourned until 10 a.m. today.

WOMEN GET NINE MONTHS

Convicted on two charges of larceny and unlawful possession, Li Chu, married woman and Ho Nui, spinster, were both sentenced to nine months' imprisonment by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

Inspector Moran told the magistrate that both defendants went into complainant's shop on Monday and asked for handkerchiefs. While these were being shown, second defendant used her own handkerchief as a cover stole four handkerchiefs.

Complainant saw their action and informed a police constable as they left the shop. They were subjected to a search and in the bag they were carrying the four handkerchiefs were found as well as another 75 brand new handkerchiefs.

Not getting satisfactory answers from defendant regarding the large number of handkerchiefs, the constable took them to the station, where they were charged accordingly.

Before the magistrate, second defendant said she took the four handkerchiefs but had forgotten to pay for them, and as to the other handkerchiefs in her possession she said she was carrying them for someone.

MURDERERS HANGED

A verdict of death by judicial hanging was returned by the jury sitting at the inquiry into the death of Lam Lau, aged 38 and Chung Kai, aged 48 both of whom were hanged at Stanley Prison yesterday morning.

Mr. F. X. d'Almada as coroner presided.

Both deceased were sentenced on November 29 last year for murder.

After formal evidence had been given by Mr. A.D. Spoor, Chief Officer of Stanley Prison and Dr. C.O. Lee, the jury returned the above verdict.

Struck by a heavy chain while working on the gang-plank at the Star Ferry wharf yesterday, a worker was seriously injured. He was sent to the Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

IF THE HORSE DIES, GET DOWN AND WALK

In view of the abnormal housing situation in Hong Kong, one must content oneself with less luxury and comfort than one was accustomed to before the war, said Mr. Peter H. Sin at the Tenancy Tribunal yesterday.

Sitting alone as a Magistrate of the Hong Kong Tenancy Tribunal, Mr. Sin rejected an application by Lao Shiu-kee for possession of No. 109, Waterloo Road, Kowloon Tong, occupied by Li Shiu-wing and his family.

The applicant (Lao Shiu-kee) contended that the house in which he resided (No. 111, Waterloo Road) was inadequate for his family—wife and eight children, between 11 and 24 years old. He owned both No. 111 and 109.

The opponent (Li Shiu-wing) said he had no property in the Colony and had tried in vain for alternative accommodation. His family included his wife, five children and two brothers. He spent HK\$7,500 in repairing the house, and was paying HK\$225 a month for rent.

"The facts are clear and simple," said Mr. Peter Sin, "and the point at issue is whether there is greater hardship, having regard to all the circumstances of the case, on the opponent if an order of eviction were made."

"It is clear that the applicant has suitable accommodation for himself and his family. His house has three bedrooms, one fairly large. It would appear that his only complaint is that it is too congested."

"I am of the opinion that having regard to the abnormal conditions now prevailing in this Colony due to the influx of people from the interior of China, thus causing an acute housing shortage, one must try to adjust oneself to the circumstances."

"In other words if one lived in a luxurious flat before the war, one must now content oneself with less luxury and comfort than one was accustomed to before the war."

"The Chinese saying: 'If the horse dies you must get down and walk, though amusing, seems to be the sort of consolation these days.'"

Mr. Sin quoted two previous judgments by Mr. Justice J. Gould and Mr. Justice E.H. Williams in which both judges said that the proper construction to be given to the word "suitable" must be one which has regard to existing conditions.

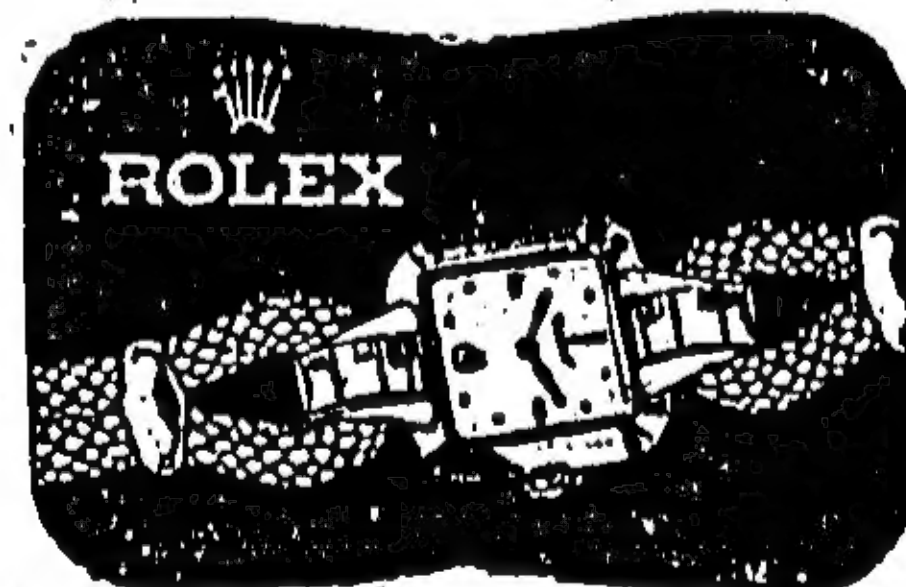
"Having regard to these two judgments, by which I am bound, I am of the opinion that the applicant has suitable alternative accommodation and the application must therefore fail," said Mr. Sin.

Mr. P.J. Griffiths, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for the applicant, and Mr. F.R. Zimmerman for opponent.

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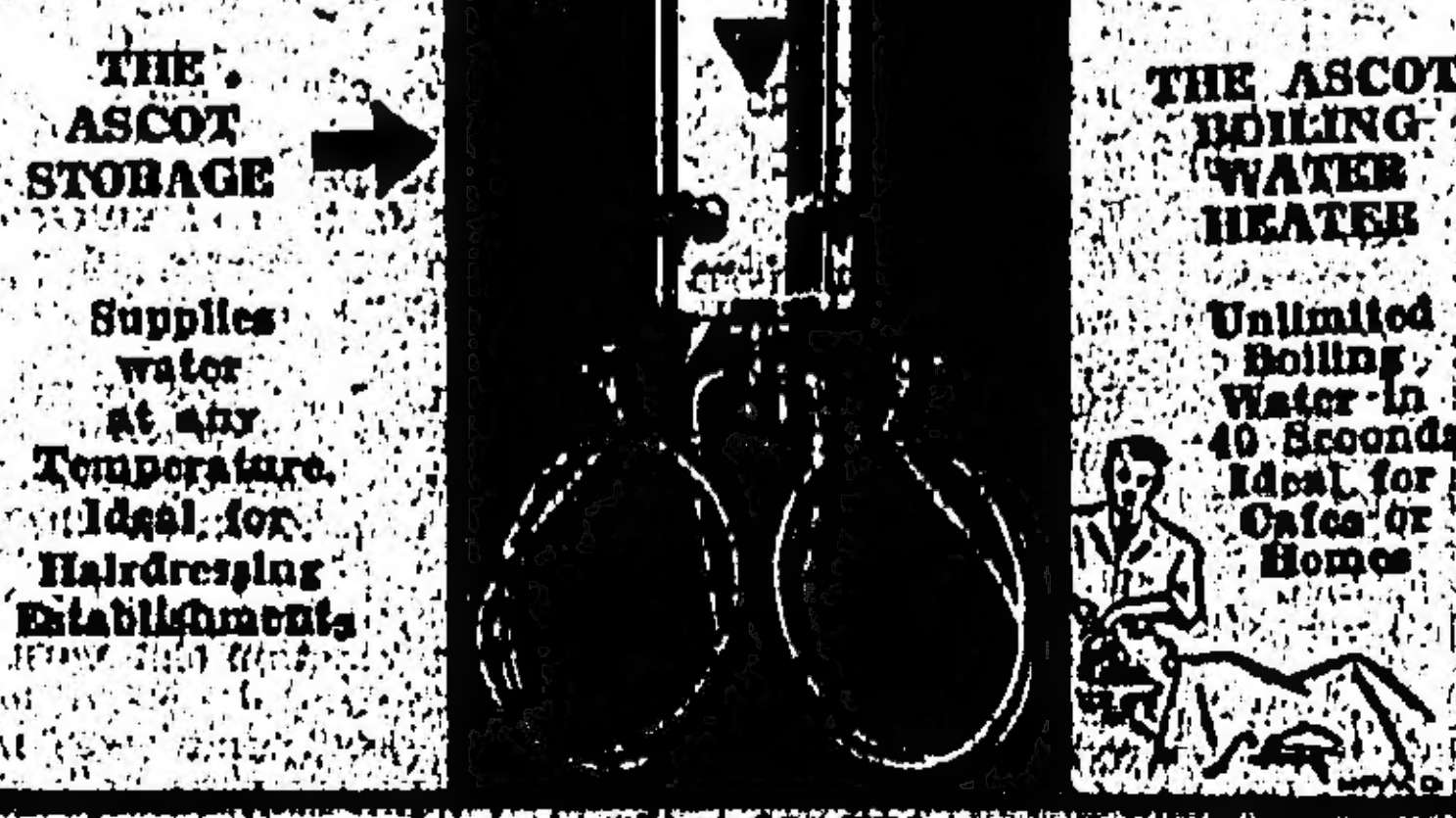
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"POISONED CHOCOLATES" CASE: COURT DISMISSES SUMMONS

Rotary Ladies' Day

Hong Kong Rotary held its annual Ladies' Day at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden yesterday. Despite the threatened typhoon there was a large attendance of ladies. A number of Rotarians and guests from Kowloon were held up on account of the weather. Past District Governor Dr. Li Shu-fan was welcomed back from the United States. He said he was the bearer of the charter from Rotary International for the Kowloon Rotary Club, which was to be handed over to its President Mr. F. C. Clemo, had he not been detained in Kowloon by the weather. Some clever piano playing was given by Professor Gordon King (Professor of Pathology at the Hong Kong University) as an accompaniment to his talk on the evolution of the Nocturne. An accomplished musician, Professor Gordon King gave a rendering of Nocturne No. 5 in B flat by the original creator John Field, followed by F. Chopin's nocturne in E flat major and in C minor, and another of nocturne for the left hand only, in D flat major, by A. Scriabin. His performance drew frequent applause from the audience, and a vote of thanks was proposed by Rotarian Miller. Two visiting Rotarians were welcomed. They were David Kwok from Shanghai and Howard Nichols and Mrs. Nichols from Bakersfield, California.

Personalia

Latest arrivals in Hong Kong from Singapore by BOAC flying-boat are Brigadier R.A. Bennett, Brigadier Seagrave, Messrs. Hise King-kie, Williams, Hooi Hong-pool, Friel, Landau, Dunne, Evans, H.H. O'Brien, Yang Sing, Chan Swee-tong, Chung Fung-sun, Koo An-ping, Kuo Keng-hai, Yam Kuei-ying, Lie Soek-hinn, W. Billington, A.R. Bromley, Lee Boun-chiang, Goh Yan-guan, Matthews, H.H. Tui, Lam On, J. Vitti, Mrs. W. Vitti, Mrs. Wong Mei-long, M.M. Ho Hong-ten, and Mdm. Wou Yim-que.

Among arrivals at Peninsula Hotel on Monday were Mrs. O. Zulueta, Messrs. R.C. Scott, O.H. Manet, J.A. Miller, A.R. Dunne, G.V. Williams, H.H. O'Brien, Lee A. Matthews, H.H. Evans, and Mr. and Mrs. A.H. Potts.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Monday included Messrs. J.D. Bridge, L. Stauber, Irving Ross, E.P. Collyer and R.O. Conn.

IMPERSONATING CHARGE

A three day remand was ordered by Mr. Justice Leung on July 23, when a 23-year-old man charged with impersonating a police officer. It was alleged by the prosecution that defendant on July 23, at Tai Ning Street, Simukwan, collected 50 cents from five different hawkers, giving them to understand that he was a police officer.

AMMO FOUND IN BUNGALOW

While digging in a garden at the Waterworks Bungalow, Tai Po Road, on July 13, Mr. J.S. Dinner found 25 rounds of .303 rifle ammunition. The ammunition was ordered to be confiscated by Mr. J. Wicks at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

A chimney fire last night at No. 4, Hillwood Road, sent two fire engines to the scene only to find the fire had been put out by the occupants of the flat.

Reminders

Today
The H. meeting, Talbot House, 8.30 p.m.
Guest Morning, European YMCA, Ladies' Section, Flag Whist, 10 a.m.
Legislative Council meeting, Council Chamber, Colonial Secretariat Building, 2.30 p.m.

Coming Events
TOMORROW
Y's Men Club Luncheon, Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
Screening of two films "Walls of Light" & "Mort & Glass" by Owens, Illinois Glass Co., Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY
Sino-British Club, general meeting, Public Relations Office, 8.45 p.m.
H.K. Light Orchestra rehearsal, 27D Robinson Road, 9.30 p.m.
Sino-British Club, general meeting (talk on "China and Social Relations" by Capt. J. H. Public Relations Office, 8.45 p.m.)

A summons brought against Mrs. E. Tranquillisky, of 190, Nathan Road, by Mrs. Butcher of 23, Cameron Road, for "unlawfully and maliciously did attempt to cause Mrs. Butcher to take a box of chocolates containing poison," was dismissed by Mr. J. Wicks at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

Mr. A. S. Comber, on behalf of defendant, submitted that his client had no case to answer. Mr. Wicks said that there appears to be bad feeling between the two women.

He suggested that in the public interest the two should be "as far apart as possible." Mr. Comber said his client was leaving for Australia shortly. Mrs. Butcher said that she first met defendant in 1937. During the war, she was sent to Macao by the Red Cross and returned to Hong Kong in 1945.

She first met defendant's husband after the war at the Star Ferry. As a result of a conversation with him she bought furniture from him.

She added: "I understood defendant was in Australia at the time. The first time I met her after the war was in January 1947 when she visited me."

"I received a letter from Messrs. Lo and Lo in early January, 1947, demanding the return of some furniture. In the same month, defendant visited me in the company of a Chinese friend. She brought a letter from the company. 'She asked me to sign the letter. I refused. She said that the refrigerator I had bought belonged to her. I told her I bought it from her husband. She pulled my hair and asked for my husband. I told her I did not know where he was."

Saw Husband
"My amah and myself pushed her out of the house."

"A few days later I saw defendant's husband at the Police Office. I told him of the incident and asked him for a receipt for the furniture I bought from him. He replied that he sold many things to friends and never issued receipts."

"On the afternoon of May 1, when my amah was out marketing, a Chinese came to my house with a parcel. He could not speak English but demonstrated that he came from a dentist."

"I consulted my mother. I was suspicious. My amah returned and spoke to the man. He wrote something on the parcel in Chinese. My mother advised me to telephone the police. I decided to go personally. I told the amah to keep the parcel and make the man wait."

"I returned with Inspector Hamsley." Cross-examined by Mr. A. S. C. Comber, who appeared on behalf of defendant, Mrs. Butcher said she did not suffer from rheumatism. She admitted that she consulted a doctor at the Kowloon Hospital. She said she suffered from pains and headaches like any normal person did. She spent most of the Occupation Period in Hong Kong and was only six months in Macao.

Refused to Answer
Mr. Comber: "How did you earn your living during the Occupation?"
Mrs. Butcher: "It is not your business. It is my private affair."

Pressed further for an answer, Mrs. Butcher said she lived under the care of the Red Cross. Did you or did you not work in a cabaret for the Japanese?—You've got no right to raise such a question.

Mrs. Butcher refused to answer the question following which Mr. J. Wicks commented on the relevancy of the question.

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At this stage Inspector Hamsley intervened: "I don't think so. During the war many people were forced by circumstances to work in cabarets. I don't see anything dishonourable about it."

Mr. Comber replied that he raised the question to show the veracity of the witness. He added that he could call a witness to prove that complainant was a prostitute. He also referred to a letter which he suggested, was denied by complainant that she had been intimate with defendant's husband. The Magistrate, however, ruled that it was irrelevant.

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Mrs. Butcher: "I expect anything from that woman. Last October a lady came to my house when I was out. She brought a parcel but took it back as I was not in."

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EUROPEAN ON \$1,000 BAIL
Robert Michael Bluestone, assistant traffic and sales manager of Philippine Airways, was remanded for one week on HK\$1,000 bail by Mr. Latimer at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

Bluestone was charged with dangerous driving; failing to stop after an accident; failing to report an accident; and failing to notify change of address. He denied the two latter charges.

Leaking Shelters
In addition to this, complaint was also made with regard to all the side streets where, at present, major repairs to motor vehicles are being carried out in the actual thoroughfares.

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Convicted Men To Appeal

The "China Mail" has been reliably informed that Lau Hoi alias Lau Yuen-hoi and Ho Cheuk-kui, who were sentenced to death for the murder of Mr. Lytton Davis Wood, intend to appeal to the Privy Council.

Lau and Ho recently appealed to the Full Court against their conviction and sentence, but the appeal was dismissed.

According to the "China Mail" informant, the opinion of an eminent barrister in England, well versed in the criminal law, is being sought in regard to the proposed appeal.

It was stressed, however, that the appeal to the Privy Council would only be possible provided the Attorney General agreed to stay his hand.

H.K. ART CLUB EXHIBITION

The monthly Exhibition of the Hong Kong Art Club which was held yesterday at the Helena May Institute has been extended until today from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. owing to the typhoon by courtesy of the Institute.

The next rehearsal for the Hong Kong Light Orchestra will take place on Friday at 27B, Robinson Road at 8.30 p.m.

KRA SURVEY OF SQUATTERS' HUTS

A survey of the squatters' huts which have been erected all over the mainland has been made by the Kowloon Residents' Association, and representations will be made to Government.

At the July meeting of the general committee of the Association, appointments of the Traffic and Street Lighting, the Dwelling Accommodation, the Children's Playgrounds, and the Hospital Facilities Sub-Committees were confirmed.

Various traffic matters received attention including the central parking in Nathan Road, bus stopping places, and learner drivers.

It was decided that a strong complaint should be lodged with regard to the use of Kimberley Road as a garage and repair depot by a considerable number of vehicles.

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Legislative Council

THREE NEW MEASURES COME UP TODAY

Among three new Bills to be presented to the Legislative Council this afternoon is an ordinance to control the exploitation and export of radio-active minerals. Legislation has already been enacted in the United Kingdom and in certain Colonies where such minerals are believed to exist.

One of the new Bills is "An Ordinance to amend and consolidate the law relating to the Police Force." It provides the Commissioner of Police with enhanced powers of punishment, together with provisions for appeal.

Such powers, said an official explanation, are essential for disciplined force and conform with the powers ordinarily to be found in legislation governing a police force.

The amendment also makes provision for the establishment, definition and control of a Police Welfare Fund, which does not exist at present.

The second new Bill is "An Ordinance to amend the Separation and Maintenance Orders Ordinance, 1935."

The weekly maintenance sums which a Magistrate may order the husband to pay to his wife and for upkeep of each child is to be increased by the amendment.

The maximum weekly sum for a wife's maintenance is to be increased from HK\$50 to HK\$250 and that for a child's upkeep from HK\$10 to HK\$30.

The third new Bill is "An Ordinance to regulate and control active minerals and the export thereof and for purposes connected therewith."

An official explanation says that the object of the Bill is to provide the desired legislation the primary effect of which will be to create prohibitions against prospecting or mining for radio-active minerals in the Colony without a licence and against the export of such minerals without a permit.

There is a man who fought for the Allies which have won the war and who suffered mentally and physically in the Camp for several years. After he comes out he has lost everything. He sees those who aided the enemy, enriched by collaboration, still at the top, at least in many a case. He has tried since the War to be a good loser. Then his family is coming out and he needs a little more money.

With his position as a Health Inspector he could have black-mailed, grabbed more, and gotten away nicely like many others.

The technique the prosecution presented was somehow funny and dramatic, that only those who have lost mental balance would be likely to succumb to it.

For anyone who was interned or tortured by the Japanese Gestapo two years' imprisonment at Stanley nowadays probably means paradise. So Robert Arthur James Simpson laughed heartily when the punishment was pronounced.

Are we, the community that nominally is living on the fruits of a victory for the Allies that defeated the Kempeitai who damaged Simpson's mental and physical entities, to laugh together with him? Are we to send personalities of his calibre to jail one by one?

It should not be done. The Governor-in-Council, which is exercising all the prerogatives undefined to other branches of the Government ought, to be appealed to. It is a case that deserves special consideration and sympathetic treatment. A good public policy demands a review of this case.

PATHOLOGIST.
Beirut, Lebanon, July 26. Had el Iskh's Cabinet resigned today. No reasons were given and Had is forming a new Cabinet. —Associated Press.

FAMILIARISATION
London, July 27. The two groups of 50 American B-29s now in England will make a "familiarisation flight" over North-East England for two hours on Monday, it was disclosed today.

They will take off from bases at Scampton, Marham at 10 o'clock GMT and will fly to Edinburgh returning two hours later.

The return will be witnessed by Mr. Arthur Henderson, Secretary for Air, who is visiting Scampton to meet the American officers and men. —United Press.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS OF JOHN DICKSON, Junior late of Marina House, Queen's Road Central, Victoria in the Colony of Hong-kong, Boarding Officer, deceased.

NOTICE is HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance, 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 17th day of August, 1948.

All creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 19th day of July, 1948.

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V. WALKER, Acting General Manager, 24th July, 1948.

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J. JOLLY, Director of Marine.

Marine Department, Hong Kong, 26th July, 1948.

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J. JOLLY, Director of Marine.

Marine Department, Hong Kong, 26th July, 1948.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 28

Closing Times By Air
Canton, (Kowloon C.P.O.) 1.30 a.m., 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 2 p.m. (G.P.O.)
7 a.m., 9.30 a.m., Noon, 2.30 p.m.
Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 9 a.m., (Ord.) 9.30 a.m.
Airmail for Manila, P.I., Honolulu, U.S.A. and Canada, (Reg.) 9.30 a.m., (Ord.) 10 a.m.
Airmail for Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tientsin and Peking: Airmail for Amoy, (Reg.) 2 p.m., (Ord.) 2.30 p.m.
Airmail for Swatow and Tientsin, (Reg.) 2 p.m., (Ord.) 2.30 p.m.
Airmail for Bangkok, Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Bahrain, Cairo (Nairobi), Johannesburg, and Marseilles via Cairo, Augusta and London, Kowloon, C.P.O., (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.; G.P.O., (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.
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Closing Times By Sea and Train

Macao and Tientsin, 8 a.m.
U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America via San Francisco (No Parcel Post for Canada), (Par. & Reg.) 9.30 a.m., (Ord.) 10 a.m.
Bangkok, 10 a.m.
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Canton (2nd class mail only), 2 p.m.
Swatow, 2 p.m.
Bangkok, 2 p.m.
Macao and Tientsin, 4 p.m.
Kowloon (Parcel and 2nd class mail), 5 p.m.
Canton (Parcel and 2nd class mail), 5 p.m.
Kowloon and Fookchow, 2 p.m.
Amoy, 2 p.m.
Manila, 2 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 29

Closing Times By Air
Canton, (Kowloon C.P.O.) 7.30 a.m., 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 2 p.m. (G.P.O.)
7 a.m., 9.30 a.m., Noon, 2.30 p.m.
Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 9 a.m., (Ord.) 9.30 a.m.
Airmail for Manila, P.I., (Reg.) 11 a.m., (Ord.) 11.30 a.m.
Airmail for Luchow and Kuming: Airmail for Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tientsin and Peking: Airmail for Swatow, Amoy and Tientsin, (Reg.) 2 p.m., (Ord.) 2.30 p.m.
Airmail for Hongkong, Singapore, Batavia, Colombo, Sydney and Auckland, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times By Sea and Train

Macao and Tientsin, 8 a.m.
Hankow, 10 a.m.
Manila, 10 a.m.
Bangkok, 10 a.m.
Swatow and Amoy, 2 p.m.
Strait, Batavia, Sourabaya and Makassar, 2 p.m.

GIANT PLANE'S FLIGHT

Washington, July 27. The new giant United States Navy "Constitution" 92-ton plane landed last night at Patuxent Airbase, Maryland. The aircraft took slightly over eight hours to cross the continent from coast to coast. "Agence France-Presse."

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Checking On Use Of US Dollars

Shanghai, July 27. The economic force has begun sending agents into waterfront bars to see that American and other seamen do not pay in United States currency for transactions, which is illegal in China except through government banks, according to the English language China Press today.

The newspaper, quoting merchant marine sources, said police agents have been active on the waterfront. The paper reported one man turned in with his "girl friend" and they took a love scene—but when a sailor took out American dollars to pay for his drink, the man whipped out a pistol and the "girl friend" ran into the street, blowing a police whistle.

American Fined

The Chinese district court fined James Lear, American bar proprietor, for allegedly accepting American currency.

Another bar proprietor, the China Press said, was arrested when 80 cents in United States coins were found in the telephone box.

Checks-up on minor economic law infractions were reported in the business sections, too amid continued rumours of a new nationwide economic control organ. Still, it was not known who would head it.

The China Press quoted "unconfirmed but insistent reports" that it would be headed by Premier Wang Wen-hao with the deputy and chief posts for the Generalissimo's son, St. Gen. Chiang Ching-kuo and Central Bank Governor, O. K. Yui.

ISRAEL ENVOY TO POLAND

Warsaw, July 26. The Polish government has agreed to the appointment of Israel Barzilay as Israel's first Minister to Poland. It was officially announced tonight. Mr. Barzilay, who is about 45, was born in Poland and studied in Paris from 1932 to 1935. Poland's representative in Israel has not yet been announced.—Associated Press.

GREEK ATTACK

Athens, July 26. The Greek Ninth Division attacked on Monday after 10 days of idleness. It launched a three-pronged assault at Mount Klefili, 1,040 kilometres northeast of Konizata.

The rebels were firmly entrenched on the height. A single guerrilla gun pumped 40 shells into the provincial capital of Serre, north east of Salonika, killing three and wounding four.—United Press.

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BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay The Authority on Authorities

A MUCH BETTER CHANCE

EVEN the least tyro knows that the best chance for a trick with a guarded king is a lead toward it. Those only slightly better know that a lead away from an ace toward a guarded queen is the best chance to get a trick with it. Why is it that only much better players apply the same principle a step lower? When a guarded jack is opposite an ace-king, a lead toward it has at least an even chance to make it a winner. That is much superior to a more effort to find six outstanding cards of a suit evenly split.

S. 9 2
H. 10-9-5-4
D. A K 5-3
C. K 9-5

S. 10 8
H. A K Q 7
D. 10 2
C. A Q 10

S. A K Q 7 6 4
H. 6
D. J 8 4
C. 8 6 3

(Dealer: West. North-South vulnerable).

West North East South
1 C Pass Pass 1 H
2 H Pass Pass 2 H
3 D 2 Pass Pass 3 H
Pass 4 H

Practically that identical bidding came at nearly all tables of a big duplicate, most of the declarers being set by similar play. The heart K was scored, the Q ruffed, trumps drawn with three top spades, two top diamonds scored and a third given up in the hope that the thirteenth would set up, so it could be used to discard a club. When that failed, South had to lose two clubs and was set a trick.

Another declarer played the diamonds right. The first five

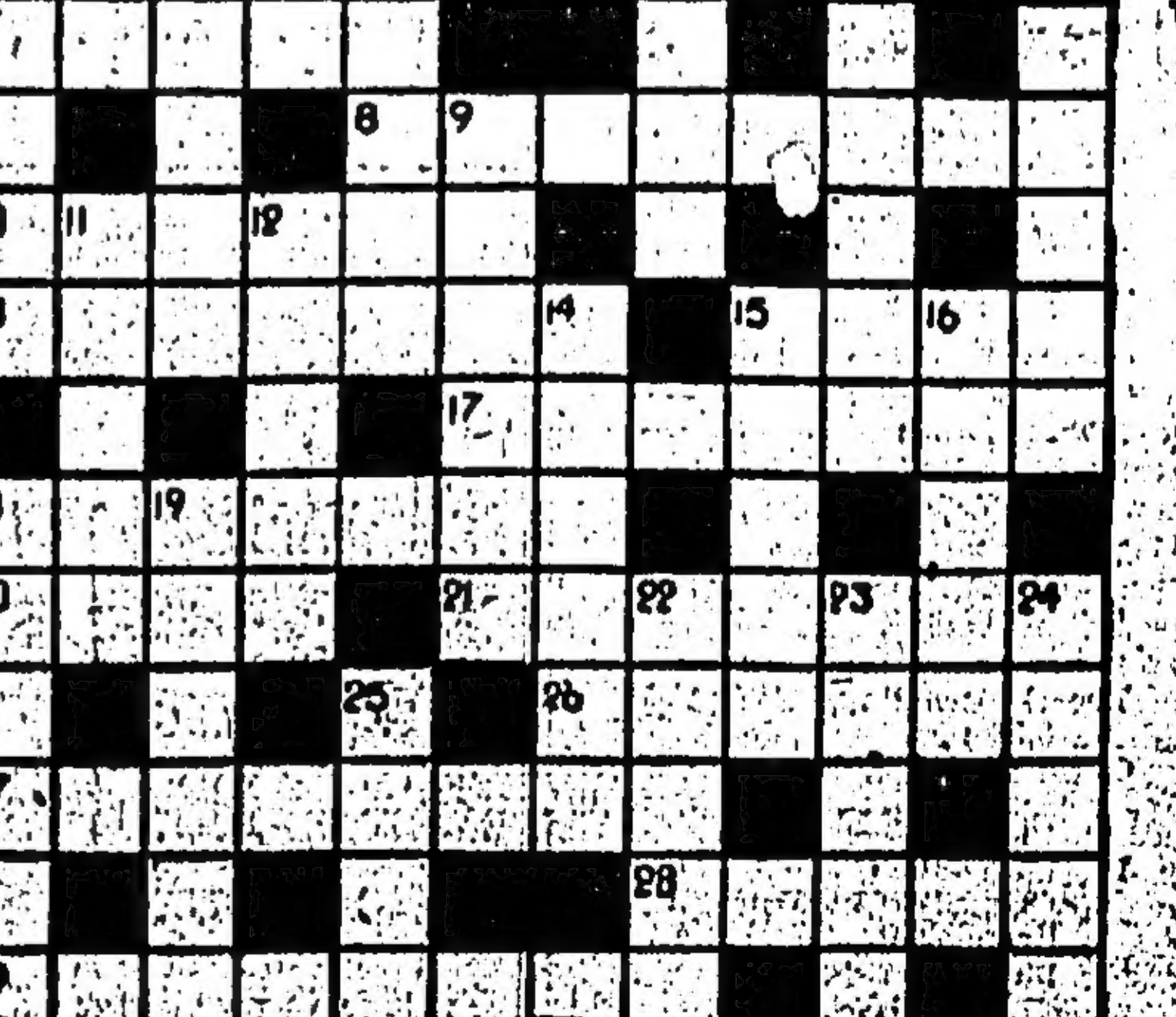
S. 10 7
H. Q J 10 7
D. 6 4 3
C. 9 8

S. A Q 9 4 3
H. K 8 3 2
D. 2
C. K 5 2

(Dealer: West. Neither side vulnerable).

What is the correct defence against South 4-Spades after Tom leads the club 9?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Clues Across

3 Blow up. 10 Falschoot. 11 Homelens. 14 Upright. 15 Waverers. 16 High room. 17 Interpol. 18 Command. 19 Elevate. 20 Skare. 21 Dregs. 22 Official. 23 Argument. 24 Enumeration. 25 Reveries. 26 Irritable. 27 Furl. 28 Rustic. 29 Moral. 30 Submit. 31 Thrashes. 32 Take?

JAPANESE PEACE TREATY

Anglo-Australian Talks In London

DEMAND FOR A CONFERENCE?

London, July 26.
Dr. H. V. Evatt, Australia's Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary, came to London today for talks with the British Government on a Japanese peace treaty.

An Australia House announcement said his consultations would touch on "all aspects of the international situation likely to affect Australia and the British Commonwealth of Nations."

Dr. Evatt's chief interest is what part Australia will play in writing a Japanese peace treaty, an Australian spokesman said, but "this talks here will necessarily include Germany."

Britain and the United States are agreed that all nations who fought the Japanese should have a hand in framing the peace treaty. The Soviet Union has insisted it should be written by the United States, Britain, Russia and China.

Dr. Evatt will see Prime Minister Clement Attlee, Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin and other Government heads while he is here.

Result of the conferences may be a joint Australian-British demand for an early multi-national conference to write the peace with Japan.

Mr. Bevin, reliable sources have reported, favours an early meeting, regardless of whether Russia attends. He is understood to have argued with the U.S. State Department that the Soviet Union would quickly change its mind and not participating once definite arrangements for such a conference were made.

Intimate Links

Dr. Evatt underscored the importance of the Japanese talks in a statement to reporters shortly after his plane arrived.

"While Australia's geographical interests make the Pacific and the Far Eastern settlement of paramount importance," he said, "at the same time Australia's intimate links with Britain make it certain that we can never contract out of Europe."

After the conferences here Dr. Evatt will go to Geneva to lead the Australian delegation to the current meeting of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations.

He also will be Australia's leading delegate to the September session of the United Nations general assembly in Paris. He has been picked to represent Australia's Prime Minister Churchill at the proposed British Commonwealth conference in London late this autumn. — Associated Press.

Birthday Celebration?

At St. Lawrence, July 26.
A fire destroyed the tiny railway station at this home town of George Bernard Shaw today—his 92nd birthday.
Fire engines from five nearby towns tried in vain to save the station. Mr. Shaw remained at home.—United Press.

Call To Resume Work

Athens, July 26.
The Communications Minister, Andrew Biraklis, today called on all striking officials and workers in his service to resume work on Tuesday morning.

Those failing to do so by 11 a.m. on Tuesday would be considered to have resigned, he said.

The Minister, in his announcement, pointed out that Greece is under partial mobilisation and said the law would become immediately effective in the case of strikers who did not observe the order to resume.

The strikers, both telegraph and telephone workers, are demanding increased wages.—Associated Press.

NEW STAGE IN EMPIRE HISTORY

London, July 26.
Dr. Herbert Evatt, Australian Minister for External Affairs, who arrived in London today for consultations with members of the Cabinet, declared that the British Commonwealth was "just entering a new stage in its remarkable developments."

"Its membership," he said, "has been enlarged by the addition of India, Pakistan and Ceylon, and it is sheer defeatism to limit to the security and well-being of the Commonwealth, to assume for a moment that South Africa or any of the new members will cut off the association which helped so much in war and peace to maintain liberty and resist aggression."

"The need for cooperation in the Commonwealth of Nations is greater now than ever as the United Nations strives to bring about the settlement of international disputes and situations, some of which are a threat to the peace of the world."

"Similarly, the opportunities of the new British Commonwealth are greatly expanded."—Reuter.

POPE ANNOUNCES "INTENTIONS"

Vatican City, July 26.
Pope Pius said today that the faithful must "defend the Church against renewed attacks of its enemies," pray for peace and put in practice social justice for the holy year of 1950.

The Pontiff made this announcement in the four "Intentions" for the holy year which the faithful must keep as a programme to be fulfilled.

They are:
Firstly, "Sanctification of soul through prayer and penitence and unshakable faith in Christ and the Church."

Secondly, "Action for peace and safeguarding of holy places."

Thirdly, "Defence of the Church against the renewed attacks of its enemies and imporation of true faith of those who err, those who have lost their faith and the godless."

Fourthly, "Realisation of social justice through works of assistance to the humble and needy."

Setting of "Intentions" by the Pope is customary before each holy year. The last to be announced were in 1933 in commemoration of the death of Christ.—United Press.

Unusual Case In Court

Rome, July 26.
Samuele Dina, managing editor of the Communist weekly, Don Basilio, specialising in lampooning the clergy, was sentenced today by the Rome Tribunal to one year's imprisonment for "vilifying the nation."

The charges against Dina were brought on the basis of an article published in Don Basilio, entitled "Dogs would have voted better," criticising a majority of the Italian voters for giving their votes to the Christian Democratic Party in the April 18 elections.

The Dina case established a precedent, being the first time Italian courts were called upon to pass judgment on such charges. Dina appealed immediately. The Italian courts have already sentenced two Communists for using abusive language with reference to the Pope.—United Press.

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1.15 p.m. News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m. Sketches from the Shows.
1.40 p.m. "Chase Down."
1.50 p.m. Programme Summary.
6.00 p.m. Children's Half Hour: "The Black Album" by G.M. Wilson. Part 3: Spooks of Strangers (H.K.T.).
6.35 p.m. "Academy Science."
7.00 p.m. "It's in the Air" Variety Request Programme. Presented by Susan Howard (Studio).
8.00 p.m. World and Home News (London Relay).
8.15 p.m. Vocal Recital by Gus D'Amico (Tone) with Piano accompaniment by E. O'Neill Shaw (Studio).
8.30 p.m. "Paul Temple and the Sullivan Mystery" by Francis Durbridge (Studio).
8.45 p.m. "The World a Wonderful Place" (H.K.T.).
9.00 p.m. A French Programme.
9.30 p.m. Anthology presented by Clifford Davies (Studio).
10.00 p.m. World and Home News (London Relay).
10.15 p.m. Olympic Games (London Relay).
10.45 p.m. Dance to Charlie Spivak and His Orchestra.
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11.15 p.m. Weather Report and Close Down.

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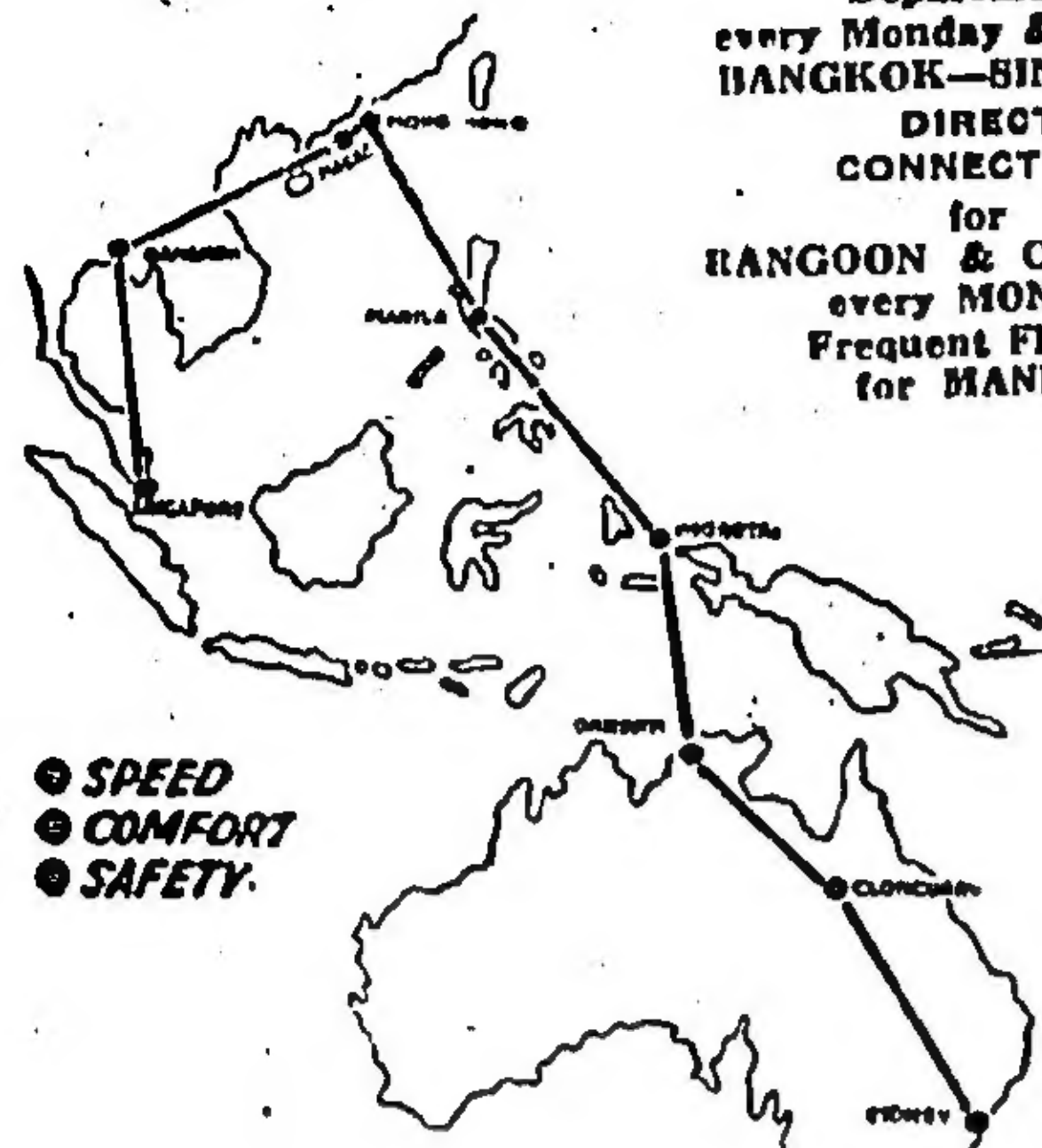
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DEFEAT AND DEMOCRACY

Japanese postwar expectations are sometimes a little breathtaking. The cool assumption that the United States, as a sort of belated partner in the Anti-Comintern Pact, must now underwrite Japanese economic recovery with a minimum of control puts the rewards of defeat rather high.

It is therefore refreshing to find an article by Yasaka Takagi, Librarian of Tokyo University, in the current issue of "Foreign Affairs," which stresses another consideration.

As a "conservative liberal" of known integrity, Dr. Takagi sees farther than the orthodox Japanese case for American-stimulated economic recovery which he presents briefly and deftly. He sees also beyond the case for relaxation of controls which he likewise presents, with the argument that self-government cannot be imposed on a people by an army of occupation.

He sees that basic reforms cannot take deep root in Japan, which has never known a Renaissance or a Reformation, until a fundamental respect for the individual is born there. And he adds specifically:

Japan needs—Protestant Christianity, with emphasis on the teachings of Christ, not on institutionalism. There are now small, scattered groups of followers of Christ in Japan, quietly and seriously working in different walks of life; and this is a hopeful sign, for only the deliberate and resolute acceptance of Christianity can bring a consciousness of individuality.

This is both a hope and a stern measure of the distance to be travelled by Japan before it achieves democracy.

Australia's Race Barrier

For a century and a half, the Australians have been building their country on a "whites only" basis. They are firmly exclusionist in their policy toward Asiatic immigration, and give every sign of continuing so. Just the other day the Immigration Minister, Mr. Calwell, rejected a proposal that Australia admit Asiatics on a quota system. It was doubtful, he said, whether any quota figure would satisfy any Asiatic nation.

Until the British took it over, Australia lay open for settlement by Oriental peoples. For whatever reason, they did not elect to pioneer it. White men settled and developed Australia's fertile areas by their own grit and muscle. They did not import coolie labour to help them (as the United States did in constructing the Western railroads), and since they have no resident Asiatic population to speak of, it must be conceded that Australians owe no moral obligation to allow one to grow.

As to the argument that Australia is largely empty and Asia is heavily overpopulated, that is true; but population students are the first to admit that migration of peoples from an overpopulated area does not solve the problem of overpopulation. No sooner do the migrant depart than the gaps they leave begin to fill up with new population. It is a law of nature and has been demonstrated in almost

New York, July 13. This is the strangest and largest funeral I have attended for some time.

The mourners are pretending to be celebrants, the cortege is decked with bunting, and the irreverent crowd is cheering, blowing horns, and waving hats in the air.

What is happening is the interment of the Democratic Party. It is called the Democratic Convention, and the business at hand is listed as the nomination of a Presidential candidate. But no one is deluded. Within a few hours—tomorrow night—President Harry Truman will be "chosen" to lead the Democrats against the Republicans in the November election.

The Panic Party

There is hardly a man or woman in Philadelphia who believes in it, or they have even an outside chance. They are going through the motions out of desperation, party loyalty, and the vain hope of patronage.

For weeks past they have been in a panic. They have implored General Eisenhower to lead them and save them, and have been given a curt "No."

They have made eyes at Supreme Court Justice William Douglas, but he has looked the other way. They have held multitudinous meetings, damning Harry Truman, and tried to form an unholy coalition of reactionary Southern Democrats, disaffected Labour leaders, distraught Liberals, and racial minority groups.

Sticking By Him

All their frenzied efforts have failed. They are stuck with Mr. Truman, and after gross infidelity are apparently sticking by him.

Mr. Truman will not be ditched or bounced. He is titular head of the Party and, by Harry's going to get the Democratic

Philadelphia this week provides one of the great paradoxes of politics. Harry Truman has always tried to please the Party. His policy was harmony and team work. He would carry out the Party's wishes. He has tried to do it. He has remained an ordinary, simple modest Middle-Westerner, the exact replica, even to the snappy bow tie and gleaming steel-rimmed spectacles, of a thousand Harry Trumans gathered in the Convention Hall now.

But the result has been strange. The Party, which used to feel the whip of the aristocratic Roosevelt, but nominated him automatically, Convention after Convention, has no time for the humble Truman who has frequently fawned around it.

It is true they will vote for him probably on the first ballot tomorrow night, but that is because there is no one else. They have been spurned by Eisenhower, abandoned by Wallace, ignored by Secretary of Defense Forrestal.

I am surprised, after all the thrashing about, the appeals to war heroes, college professors, Supreme Court judges to run, that no Democrat has sent an SOS to Mr. Churchill.

He is British, of course, which could be a handicap, but after all his mother was an American and he is as popular here as in Britain.

A little matter of a passport could surely be arranged, some slight adjustment made in the Constitution.

In Every State

He would be a maiden's prayer answer to the awful Democratic dilemma, and would undoubtedly trounce Dewey and Warren and carry every State in the Union. The Diary's candidate is Winston, and down with narrow nationalism.

Philadelphia itself, not very much impressed with the Republicans two weeks ago, is even less taken with the Democrats. The same flag and welcome drip from the main street, but the elephant mascot of the Republican Party has been replaced by the donkey mascot—most appropriate of the Democratic Party.

every country of Europe.

The people of Asia will not be inclined to think so, but in scientific fact the Australians are doing them no disservice; the Asiatic overpopulation problem could never be permanently solved by filling up the Australian desert, even granting a dubious theory that that desert could be made habitable. The only thing that will solve it is the mathematical solution of contriving a birth rate in such relation to the death rate as to bring a lessening, instead of an expanding, population.

DON IDDON'S DIARY

THE INTERMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

next six months. Mr. Truman remains in charge—Commander-in-Chief and No. 1 man in the United States until next January.

A Trying Period

He, with Secretary of State Marshall's aid, will direct foreign policy.

The sad truth is, however, that when he speaks his voice will carry little conviction. About to be evicted from the White House and replaced by a new tenant, he will hardly be able to command the world's attention. It will be a trying period for Britain and the Western Powers during the next few months, even though Dewey has pledged bi-partisan attitude toward the Marshall Plan.

There will be the smoke and battle of the Presidential campaign obscuring foreign issues. This week in Philadelphia, with the Berlin siege critical and the Russians defiant, there has not been much talk about the Soviet threat. The Convention Hall, with its quorums and intrigue and self-seeking, is a long, long way from world-realities.

It has its own crisis and is absorbed by it. I have heard far more about the lack of funds to finance a Democratic campaign (most of the rich men have padlocked their pockets) than about Berlin.

The Little Victims

The cry is: "God help the Democrats," and it is dinned in everyone's ears.

All the thunderous oratory of the nominating speakers seems like empty gas. The snake dances and waving banners, the band playing, the crooning and cavorting appear absurd against the background of Berlin.

These, surely, are children playing hopscotch in a kindergarten. The sooner the Convention is over the better.

Footnote—The Democratic Party split is no wisecrack.

LANE NORCOTT

Glimpses into the world of tomorrow

No. 12: How to change your residence.

Citizens, other than directed mobile workers, are not permitted to change their residences, except in the most exceptional circumstances, such as the demolition of an entire district by order of a Minister or the conversion of a residential city to a dormitory or exporting town.

The total collapse of a prefabricated dwelling is NOT considered to be "an exceptional circumstance" within the meaning of the Act (The Restrictions of the People's Movements Act of 1939). The last case here is that of Citizen-Worker DB/807/K3, who early in 1938 occupied No. 4,703 in a long line of approved clerical semi-temporary dwellings, known as Nye's Strata, which ran from Euston northwards.

When this structure, which was already over three years old, collapsed in the night, Citizen-Worker DB/807/K3 sought permission to move into No. 17,821, then being completed in Royston.

His application was declined, as tending to encourage vagrancy, and a new prefabricated dwelling was erected over his head in 20 minutes 18 seconds—a feat which won for the foreman (Ganger LY/0621/X) the coveted Silklin Medal, Fifth Class.

For the benefit of citizens with unlimited time on their hands (i.e. Licensed Aged and Infirm Persons in possession of their Excuse Cards, and Resting Workers who have been issued with a Green Leisure Card), we give a list of the authorities whose sanctions are required before a formal "Plan to Move" can be submitted to the Controller-General of State Homes for the Masses.

The Divisional Group Leader (Social Security Section), the Secretary of the Union of

More Cuts In China Air Routes

Shanghai, July 26.

A further reduction in domestic air line services, possibly to 20 per cent of normal operations, was indicated by China's two major airlines, the China National Aviation Corporation and the Central Air Transport Corporation.

A spokesman of the air lines stressed the inevitability of more restricted flights should the Ministry of Communications fail to "come through" in solving the foreign exchange problem.

Domestic operations of CNAC and CATC recently dropped an average of 40 per cent on all routes following the air lines' inability to meet normal petrol requirements with foreign exchange from the Government.

National Milk Distributors, the Shell-Egg Allocation Officer (Albumen Intake Dept. of Min. of Food), the Taps Limitation Assessor of the National Water Board, the Senior Domestic Permit Officer of the National Electricity Board, the Resident Domestic Rubble Overseer of the National Coal Board, the Local Sub-Precept of the O.B.V.N.U. (M.V.E.), the Public Consenter of National Carriers and Removers, the Domestic Division, the Senior Lady Welfare Officer of the Citizens' Civic Duties Bureau, and the Dame-Commander of the National Wives' Protection Corps.

Since 1939 only two Change-of-Residence Permits have been known to be granted, although some may have been stolen from waiting limousines—one in 1932 and the other 1971. And the latter, unfortunately, was issued too late, the applicant having died without notifying the proper authorities in 1938.

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HANDSHAKE SHOOK AUSTRALIA

Sydney, July 26. Seven members of Australia's House of Representatives shook hands with Emperor Hirohito in Tokyo last week and that action is still rocking Australia.

The Australian parliamentary delegation and Hirohito had been roundly denounced by a steadily increasing section of the Australian press as well as various war veteran groups.

The press claims the Australians' visit to the Emperor was "improper" as were the handshakes exchanged.

Hirohito is being blasted because he allegedly told the delegation he wanted to come to Australia to apologise personally for war atrocities. Jiji Press agency later circulated a denial of the alleged remarks, but the delegation insisted that was what the Emperor said.

The Sydney Telegraph said: "We do not want to trample on the faces of the Japanese people as they—in their barbaric fashion—would have trampled on ours. But we do not want man who represent us to give Japanese leaders the slightest expression that our sense of outrage is passing and that they can satisfy us with a low bow and smirking 'so sorry'."

The politicians would have pleased Australians much more if they had behaved like Gen. H. C. H. Robertson of the British Commonwealth Occupation Forces, who declined to provide an Australian guard for Hiro-

THE NON-STOP AIR-LIFT

BRIAN CONNELL WRITES ANOTHER CHAPTER IN THE BERLIN STORY

In the first 10 minutes as I sat writing this article in the Daily Mail office in Berlin 14 great four-engined Skymasters thundered over the top of the building.

The walls shook. My electric light made a funny little buzzing noise in its fitting. All other sounds are shut out while the American planes pass. You can't even hear yourself speak.

This goes on in half-hour bursts all day and all night. The sheer magnitude of the operation leaves you stunned, and now the Americans are going to put 70 more Skymasters on the run to Tempelhof (already costing them 225,000 dollars a day).

It must be costing the British a huge daily sum at Gatow, too, but we are going to add R.A.F. bombers to the Dakotas and the Yanks.

What are we accomplishing with this staggering outlay of men, machines, and money? Well, contrary to the expectations of a number of people, we are bringing in enough food for the Western Berliners.

Stocks are steady and rationing is being met. The people must just accept the situation. Instead of fresh ones, for that means a saving of 700 tons a day in freight.

With the opening of Fassberg airfield, in the British zone, for the shipment of 400 tons of coal a day, the Americans and ourselves are on the way to covering the actual minimum daily consumption of 1,400 tons.

We have coal stocks for three and a half weeks on hand.

Once we get above this figure we can start pumping sewage to the disposal plants instead of dumping it all in the Havel Lake, in the west of the city.

More Light

We shall get more than our present four hours of light between six and eight o'clock in the morning and nine and eleven o'clock at night, and the Germans will be able to boil more than the three cups of ersatz coffee a day which the present gas ration allows them.

In some parts of the city the power comes on the small hours and housewives have to get up and cook the day's food at three o'clock in the morning.

Life is pretty hard on the Berliners just now. The partial extension of currency reform in the Western sectors has hit the citizens hard. They are supposed to get 25 per cent of their pay in the Western marks, but firms are unable to lay hands on enough currency to meet the demand.

Nor can additional food now be bought on the Black Market, because the spivs are now demanding Western marks exclusively.

Cinemas and newspapers in the Western sector can only be paid for in Western marks.

More Morale

Worst of all is the fear of unemployment. Already the lack of power and raw materials is forcing hundreds of small firms to close down or work at reduced capacity.

Unless we can start bringing in industrial raw materials and re-

placements in the air-lift, something like 400,000 Berliners (of 800,000 workers in the Western sector) will find themselves out of work.

But under all this duress the citizens' morale remains "high."

We must face the sobering thought that only three years after Belsen was liberated the Germans have become our Allies in a new struggle.

In the meantime, those planes which are again descending the realm of the arbiters of the situation. Before winter hinders the operation some other solution has to be found.

SOVIET SAYS NO AGAIN

Geneva, July 26. Soviet Russia has rejected the three international Conventions drawn up here last April by the 55-nation Conference on Freedom of Information, the United Nations announced here today.

The three Conventions were designed to guarantee freedom to gather and transmit news and receive and import information, and to provide Governments with a means to correct false reports.

In a letter to the United Nations Secretary-General, M. Vyshinsky, said the Conventions were unsatisfactory because they did not prohibit the advocacy of Fascism and aggression in any form, or the dissemination of racial, national or religious hatred or contempt.

He also complained the Conventions did not prohibit the dissemination of false and distorted information, forbid intervention in matters which are essentially within the domestic jurisdiction of any State, nor guarantee the extension to colonial territories of the freedoms conveyed by the Conventions.

Poland has also told the United Nations that it cannot accept the present text.—Reuter.

US War Manoeuvres

Washington, July 26. The United States armed forces will wage an all-out "war" with live and blank ammunition on the beaches of Virginia next month, the U.S. Navy announced today.

For the first time, the Air Force will join Army and Navy Academy undergraduates, Navy Marine Corps and Army paratroopers in annual war games known as "Camid."

About 7,500 military personnel, 131 Navy and Marine fighters, 24 Army jet fighters and six transport, 43 Navy ships and land craft and two submarines will take part. It is the third year for the games, which are held to indoctrinate future Army and Navy officers in the art of amphibious landings. They will be held in the Chesapeake Bay-Norfolk area from August 2-21.

A feature attraction will be a spectacular "D-Day" landing on August 20 at Camp Pendleton near Virginia Beach, which the public have been invited to observe.—United Press.

Colonial League's Protest

St. John's, Newfoundland, July 26.

A protest sent by the Newfoundland League for Responsible Government to leading Canadian and British politicians, including Mr. Winston Churchill and Mr. Anthony Eden, may prevent confederation with Canada.

The League protested against any negotiation for Newfoundland's confederation with Canada being conducted except through a properly elected Newfoundland Government.

Abandonment of the confederation plan was thought to be more likely in view of Canada's hope that a decision to enter the Canadian confederation would be backed by a large majority in the recent referendum, than 52 per cent of the votes cast.

Three polls have still not been declared and the complete count is not expected before Thursday, but no substantial change is expected in the present figures of 77,209 for confederation, and 71,574 for responsible Government.—Reuter.

Split In Italian Labour

Rome, July 26.

Italy's labour forces were split into two hostile factions today—the largest Communist-controlled but the narrowest getting Catholic and Government backing.

The Communist majority in CGIL's Executive Committee meeting today abandoned efforts to save labour unity and in effect told Christian Democrats and Catholic Labour (AOLI) leaders to "go ahead and form your own union."

Republicans and Labour Socialists, however, fear withdrawal of Christian Democrats and AOLI workers will further weaken CGIL's and Communist majority and place Communists in virtual complete control.—Associated Press.

SECRET TALKS ON BERLIN

Western Powers Drawing Up New Note

Foreign Affairs Debate In Commons Cancelled

London, July 26.

The United States, Britain and France neared agreement tonight on long-range Russian policy and the wording of an immediate note to Moscow on the Berlin crisis.

Well-informed sources said the final text of the new note may be ready tomorrow but warned that the Western world must be prepared for a long series of diplomatic exchanges between the Western Allies and Russia.

They implied strongly that, although the exchange might result ultimately in a new Big Four meeting, none was likely soon because the United States would not agree to one.

In an atmosphere of secrecy the Western Powers sought for a way to end the Berlin blockade, ease multiplying

differences with Russia over Germany and check the world's fear of war.

Diplomats from the three Western powers launched a new and critical week of talks on the Berlin crisis with an early morning conference. This time they had fresh, first hand information from Washington and Moscow to guide their discussions.

Later in the day British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin called in the special U.S. team of experts—Charles Bohlen, State Department counsellor, Lewis W. Douglas, Ambassador to Britain and W. Bedell Smith, Ambassador to Russia—for a personal review of the situation.

The meeting of the American diplomats with Mr. Bevin lasted more than three hours. Under present plans, Mr. Smith will return to Moscow on Tuesday and Mr. Bohlen will go to Washington on Wednesday.

Difference

The discussions, then will be carried on by Mr. Douglas, French Ambassador Rene Massigli and Sir William Strang, chief of the British Foreign Office, German section. The talks will continue daily.

The intensification of the talks, plus the arrival here of Mr. Bohlen and Mr. Smith, reflected apparent differences on two major points:

1.—How far should the Western Allies go in meeting Moscow's demands for four power consultations on all of Germany instead of on Berlin.

2.—Just what method should be used in approaching Russia with some form of a "let's talk it over" proposition on condition the Soviet blockade of Berlin is lifted.

General Lucius D. Clay, American military governor in Germany, has moved at least one step away from the previous attempt of the Western Allies to limit any four power talks to Berlin alone.

With Britain's endorsement, he has said the U.S. would be willing to discuss a new all German currency, provided the Western powers shared in its control and provided Berlin's surface transportation is free.

Debate Cancelled

The secrecy attending the Western powers' next move in the Berlin situation was underlined tonight when the British Government decided to cancel the debate on foreign affairs in the House of Commons and Lords on Wednesday.

Mr. Bevin was to have reviewed Britain's foreign policy in Commons that day.

A Government source said the Cabinet decided "no good purpose" would be served now by such a debate. The source said the Cabinet believes "speeches might be made which could have a bad effect on the delicate international situation."

General Sir Brian Robertson, British military governor in Germany, will fly here tomorrow to furnish Mr. Bevin with a report on current events in Berlin. United Press and Associated Press.

Western Germany Agreement

Frankfurt, July 26.

The three Western military governors in Germany and 11 Minister Presidents of the western zones in Germany today reached an agreement on the setting up of a government for West Germany.

The organization of the three zones under the terms of the London agreement on Germany will take place immediately.

The Landtag—local parliaments—in the eleven states will immediately take the necessary steps to choose representatives to a parliamentary assembly, which will draft a provisional constitution for West Germany. This assembly is scheduled to meet by Sept. 1 at the latest.

Under the agreement, the military governors have renounced their proposals for the promulgation of a real constitution for West Germany and have agreed to accept an "organic status" such as that proposed by the Minister Presidents.

The German statesmen, on the other hand, agreed to a popular plebiscite on the organic status, although this may be subject to a change by the military governors.

A permanent committee, with its seat in Wiesbaden, will set to work tomorrow morning to draft the organic status.

Well-informed sources state that three factors contributed towards the change in the attitude of the Minister Presidents since their last conference with the military governors last month.

Firstly, General Clay was said to have exercised pressure upon them in an effort to achieve the setting up of a West German government, able to play its part in the face of the Soviet bloc, as quickly as possible.

Secondly, the latest developments in Berlin appeared to have stiffened their attitude in face of Soviet demands there.

Thirdly, the Minister Presidents realised the necessity to emerge from the present chaotic condi-

"Russians Bluffing"

Washington, July 26.

It was disclosed today that word has passed quietly on to recovering members of Congress that the Russians are bluffing in Berlin and they need have no fear that the United States is under the shadow of war.

They have also been advised privately that sound intelligence reports from the Soviet zone in Germany indicate that the Russians made no military preparations to eject the Western Powers from the German capital.

The American military commander in Germany, Gen. Lucius D. Clay, left the impression in conversations with members of Congress last week that he was convinced Russia would give in if the United States, Britain and France stand firm in their refusal to leave Berlin.

Congressmen heard American and British intelligence in the Soviet zone at peak efficiency and information filtered through to Washington and London was uniformly encouraging.

They were assured that it would be almost impossible for the Russians to stockpile war material or build up assault forces of men and vehicles without the Western commands knowing all about it.—United Press.

Threat Of Farm Strike

Hamburg, July 26.

Farm hands throughout the British Zone of Germany threatened to walk off the land and paralyse the summer harvesting today when they demanded a 10 pfennig wage increase.

The German Farm Workers Union, with headquarters in Göttingen, announced that they would strike if their demand was not granted by Thursday, July 26. The Secretary of the Union said that about 120,000 men would be involved.

The Union's plebiscite last week end showed that more than 85 per cent of members were in favour of a strike, the Secretary said.

Union officials, backed by this vote, will meet on Wednesday morning with the British military power authorities to try to settle the dispute.—United Press.

tions in West Germany and to start the real reconstruction of a torn country.—Agence France-Press.

JEWISH VIOLATIONS OF CEASE-FIRE

London, July 26.

Jewish violations of the Palestine cease fire were officially reported by a United Nations observer today to the Rhodes headquarters of Count Folke Bernadotte, responsible to the Security Council for seeing that peace of the Holy Land is kept.

The observer said Jewish aircraft and infantry attacked three Arab villages—Jaba, Izrim and Ain Ghazil—on three successive nights. The commander of the mixed Israeli-Arab irregular force in the villages threatened to use the Iraqi Air Force in retaliation unless the Jews desisted.

The observer added that he had notified the Jewish authorities of the breaches.

Count Bernadotte told correspondents in Rhodes tonight that he would have no conferences on the island with Arabs or Jews before the end of August.

Speaking immediately after his return from Palestine, the Count said he was leaving for Sweden on Aug. 9 or 10. Before leaving, he would visit Amman, Alexandria, Tel Aviv and Haifa.

Count Bernadotte said he had discussed three points with the Arabs and Jews:

1.—Details of the truce supervision.

2.—The demilitarisation of Jerusalem.

3.—Settlement of refugees and displaced persons.

Azzam Pasha, Secretary General of the Arab League, had told the Count that instructions from the Arab countries that they favoured the principle of the demilitarisation of Jerusalem.

He said the Jews had promised to give him "a definite answer" by Wednesday.—Reuter.

MEETING ON KMT REFORM

Nanking, July 26.

President Chiang Kai-shek, as supreme head of the Kuomintang, will shortly convene a conference of Kuomintang members to prepare party reform.

In particular, the conference will eliminate the many "cliques" within the party, and ensure better cooperation among the members, a high Kuomintang official told A.P. this evening.

An open dispute broke out among the members of the Kuomintang cliques on the occasion of the recent elections for the Vice-Presidency.

A.P. was informed that the reform of the party will ensure more active Kuomintang participation when the Government programme is worked out by the Premier, and in the anti-Communist struggle.

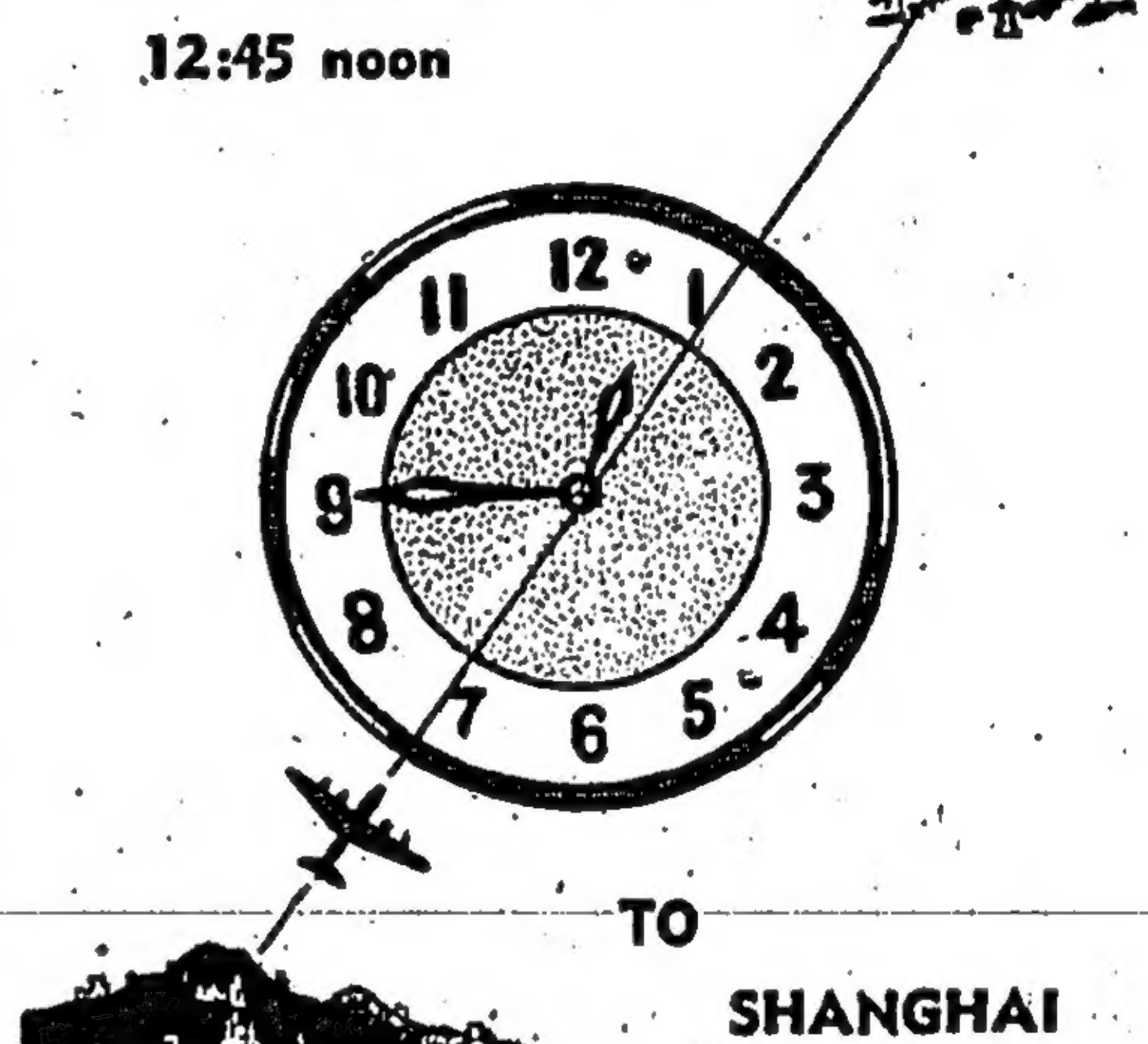
It was pointed out that, according to party rules, the final decision in all spheres remains with the supreme head of the Kuomintang, but the plans of action

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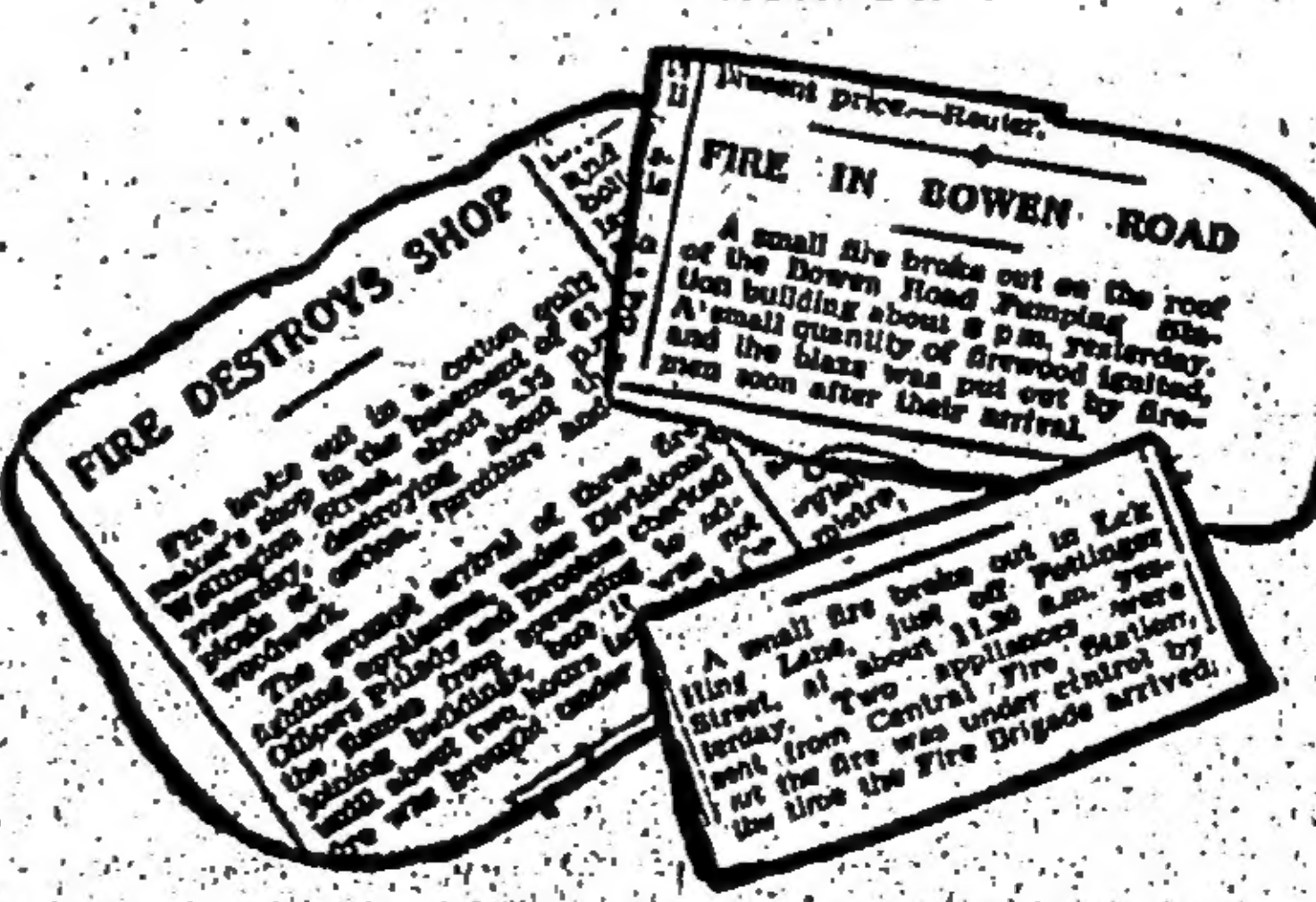
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TRUMAN'S WAR ON DISCRIMINATION

Washington, July 26.

President Truman today ordered sweeping changes in the Federal Government to wipe out racial discrimination.

He ordered equality of treatment in the armed services and established a fair employment programme for Government workers.

By executive order, President Truman set up a committee on equality of treatment and opportunity in the armed services. He also set forth regulations governing fair employment practices within the Federal Government.

In his proclamation for the armed services, Mr. Truman declared this policy:

persons in the armed services without regard to race, colour, religion or national origin."

The President directed that the policy be put into effect "as rapidly as possible." At the same time he ordered that all Federal jobs be filled with "no discrimination because of race, colour, religion or national origin."

He also ordered the appointment of a fair employment board to enforce the programme. Appeals can be made to the fair employment board which Mr. Truman created in the Civil Service Commission.—United Press.



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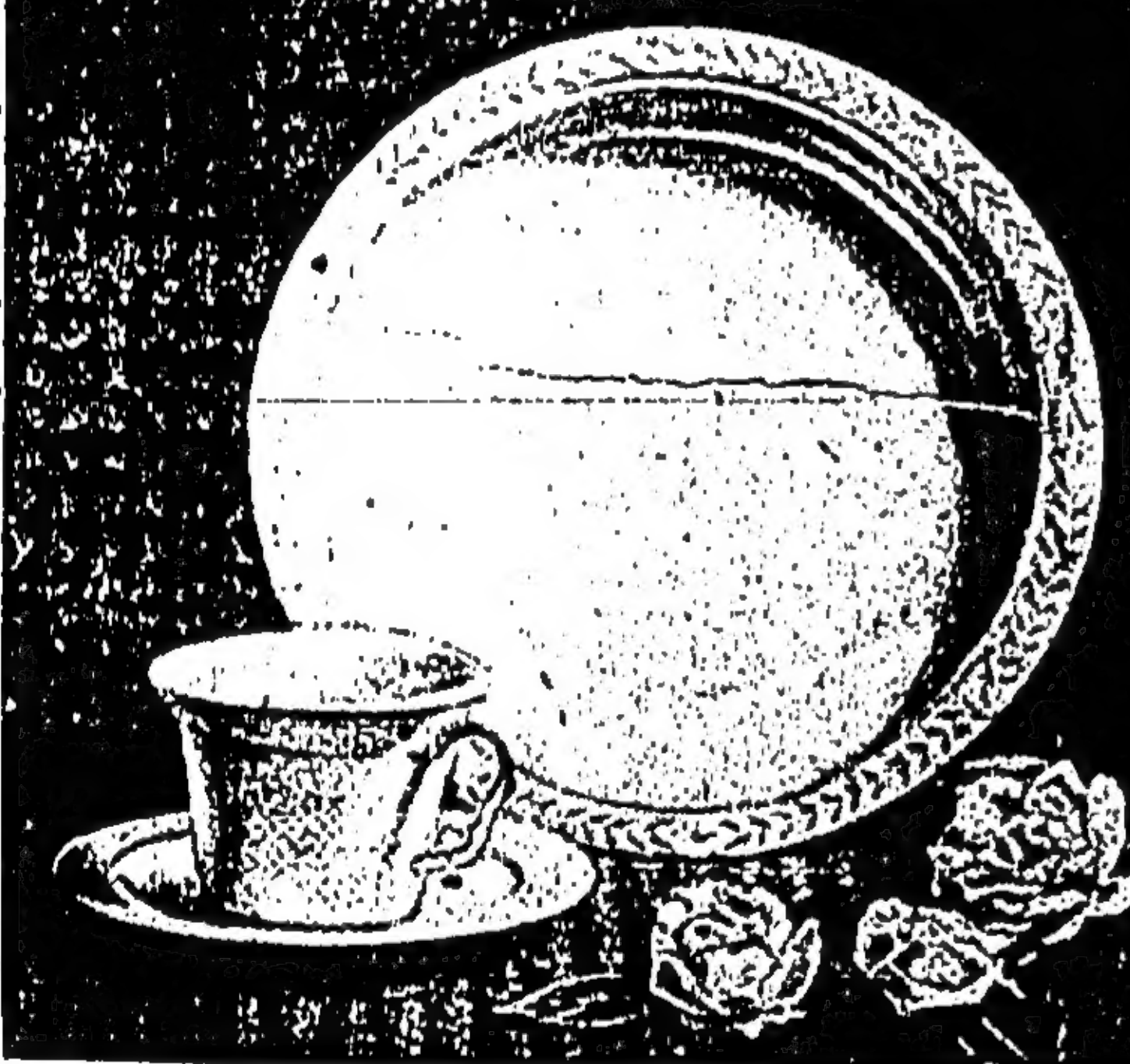


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Woman Today

"FASHION FORTNIGHT" HELD IN LONDON

Besides attracting buyers from all parts of the world to see English fashions, the "Fashion Fortnight" might also be an attempt to oust Paris as the world's leading fashion centre.

London, July 25.

Britain's top fashion experts, backed by the Board of Trade, swing into a fortnight of dress shows and cocktail parties this month to mark the first anniversary of the invasion of the New Look.

Exactly twelve months after Britain's Board of Trade frowned on the longer hemlines, their experts are going all out to induce fashion designers to sell the New Look—ankle length gowns, padding and all.

More than 250 model houses including milliners, furriers and couturiers will attempt to lure 1,500 overseas buyers to their swank salons. The buyers will certainly be kept busy. From five to six fashion shows will be seen daily by fashion critics, the press and foreign buyers.

The entertainment schedule ranges from a breakfast reception at her private residence by the Dowager Marchioness of Reading, Britain's leading female organizer, to a cocktail party on the terrace of the House of Commons.

During the first week 28 shows, including Michael Sherard, Helen Giffers and a combined display of hats by the Associated Millinery Designers of London, will be given. The second week sees the Big Eleven on parade—the Queen's designer Norman Hartnell, the Duchess of Kent's designer Captain Molynéux and Angèle Delanaye, Matill, newcomer to the original Big Ten, and Hardy Amies, the dashing veteran paratrooper officer.

All "New"

Buyers will see long skirts ranging from 13 to within eight inches of the ground, bustled-backed day suits, hats massed with the bodies of small birds, the finest linens, rayons and woolsens from Northern Ireland. Britain's richest furs, goossamer-fine nylons and original hand-printed head scarves.

The Board of Trade are not sure what the outcome will be of their 14-day project, but "it will be good publicity," said an official.—United Press.

Is This A Challenge To Paris?

It might be more than that "good publicity." In fact, apart from the more practical side, there might be another motive altogether. In the minds of the designers of Britain, it seems something is stirring. Britain's clothes industry has been coupon-bound and austerity-controlled for many years now. Even after the war it had a struggle on its hands to find sufficient materials and sufficient varieties of materials to make big-time designing possible. But the Autumn fashion showings which were held at the end of last month and the beginning of July came, probably, as a shock to many people.

No Austerity

Gone were all the traditional make-do's and enforced pencil-skirts and the severe lines. Britain's designers, both the long-established and the just-arrived, showed that they, too, could be "Parisian."

That may be the underlying motive of this "Fashion Fortnight," London is after Paris's name as the world's leading fashion centre—long quite a sore point in haute couture circles. With buyers from 30 different countries being shown the best of England's fashion art, there is no telling what the outcome may be.

Paris has built her reputation on being first—the first with the New Look, with the "plunger" neckline, with the fan-tail hemline.

New Fabrics

The Autumn fashion shows in London merely put a new coat-work on Paris's old chasuble—but the coachwork was bright and gleaming and almost aggressively streamlined, and made with materials which have not been available for years.

This year there are cheerful signs that London has gone Parisian: next year—who knows?



FROM TWO TO SIX P.M.: Women are beginning again to select special clothes for afternoon elegance. This suit in tan and black striped wool seen in the London collections is by Digby Morton. The skirt is slim and the jacket, which has a full basque, has interesting boned seaming. (Photo: Harpers' Bazaar of London)

Flower Pots Used As Decorations

How are your interior decorations? Sometimes it is difficult to find just what you want for that odd corner, or the fireplace, or the difficult nook near the window-seat.

That is where the humble flower pot emerges from the garden and gains a new respect as a home decoration.

The red clay flower pot seems the most unassuming of objects, humble, earthy, useful but dull. But with a little energy spent on it, it can become ornamental as well as useful, and an unusual addition to your plans of decoration.

Notions

As a first idea, get some small pots and wind ordinary household string around the body of them sluing the string as you go. Then lacquer all the pot (including the top and the saucer) the colour of your lounge-room and place your pots along the mantelshelf in a row.

No. 2: If you are handy with a brush, try lacquering a pot first with plain lacquer, and then sketching in a design to match your bedroom furnishings. Colour the design with a fine brush.

No. 3: Is the entrance porch to your house rather uninspired? If so, try this: Get a small shelf plugged into the walls on either side of your front door (with a ledge to keep the pot anchored), and then paint the pots and saucers with bright vertical stripes in different colours. Be sure, though, that you let one stripe dry before starting on the next.

Cactus Story

This one should save you buying curtains for the kitchen, especially if you have Venetian blinds. Put cactus plants in these pots, because they are so easy to look after. Paint pots to match the kitchen, and, if you like, trim the top and the saucer with large coin spots in a contrasting colour. Then place about two pots down each side of the windows in the kitchen—and they presto, no curtains needed!

No. 5: Your sunroom can be gay like an out-of-doors conservatory if you use flower pots



AFTERNOON COAT: A rich and lovely coat in black brocade by Delanaye, from her London collection. The waist is nipped in by a narrow self-belt, the hips accented by pocket and the shoulders given a rounded outline. Four covered buttons fasten the cross-over revers. (Photo Harpers' Bazaar of London)

(and their flowers) as a part of the decorations. Put hanging shelves in the sun-room, perhaps two or three, and decorate them with pots containing geraniums or ivy, or some other colourful plant. You can paint the pots either with plain lacquer, or with plain lacquer first and a design afterwards. A design of fishes swimming round the pots is effective and cool to look at, but you can plan any that you choose.



THIS RAYMOND MODEL SWAGGER COAT in huge fawn and brown Scotch tweed check was one of many creations which caught the eye at a parade of English-tailored coats and suits held at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, to begin the first London "Fashion Fortnight". Sixty-six model manufacturing firms, 41 furriers and 23 couturiers are combining to present the mammoth parade of fashion. (AP Photo)

SHOE SHINE

Should shoes be difficult to polish, rub them all over with a cut lemon, leave to dry, then polish in the usual way. The shoes will come up with a brilliant shine.

Home Treatment For Your Hair

Whether the scalp is over-greasy or dry depends largely on the individual person. Excessive dryness is caused by over-active oil glands; even though the scalp is shampooed regularly there is a tendency for the trouble to persist.

So besides regular daily brushing, rub a spirit lotion of eau-de-Cologne and rosewater (equal parts) into the hair roots at night. Massage this lotion lightly with the finger-tips before brushing out to dry; in the morning apply a trace of oil brilliantine to give sheen and softness before fixing the hair in place. By the way, oil dressing can have a lot to do with both hair-do and attractiveness.

For oil dressing with hair it must be stressed that water-white paraffin oil is to be preferred; it has no darkening tendency, but a vegetable oil, almond or olive, has the opposite effect. The cure for brown to black hair that is inclined to fade, keep to vegetable oil for sheen, but apply sparingly to avoid a lank, over-oiled appearance.

Little Needed

Just a drop or two of oil rubbed in with finger-tips is all that is necessary; really a film only of the oil gives the requisite sheen and keeps the hair ends from splitting when the scalp is inclined to be dry. To stimulate hair growth and prevent falling, massage the scalp for five minutes or so each night,

using a tonic application if the hair appears lifeless and dull. Bay rum and cantharides lotion, with a little glycerine added if the hair is dry, suits the average scalp for this treatment.

Sprinkle it into the hair roots, press the fingers on one area of the scalp and rotate them gently so that both muscles and skin move. Circle the finger-tips five times to the left and five times to the right, pressing firmly as the movement is made, then move the fingers farther up and repeat until every part of the head has been massaged.

Home Shampoo

A good shampoo for normal hair (neither greasy nor over-dry) is made by putting into a saucepan a dessertspoon of green soft soap and a breakfastcup of cold water. Stir and heat gently, till dissolved, strain through muslin and allow to cool.

When cold this soap mixture will suffice for several shampoos; quantity used is immaterial.

Moisten the scalp fully with warm water before applying any soap, solution and work into a lather with the fingers of both hands. Rinse off with two changes of tepid water; dry with a soft towel in sunlight if possible.

If extra bleaching is desired for fair hair, add the juice of a lemon to the last rinsing water; for a definite bleach, hydrogen peroxide diluted 1 in 4 with water may be combed through the hair after drying. The trace of oil dressing prevents splitting when peroxide is used.

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ANGLO-US RETALIATION IN BLOCKADE OF BERLIN

CASE OF SHANGHAI GENDARMES

London, July 26. Two members of the Japanese Army who were handed over to the British authorities as war criminals but were released are to have their cases reopened.

They are Major General Kinoshita and Sergeant Major Yoshida, who are slated to have been in charge of Bridge House, Shanghai, during the war, where numbers of British nationals were tortured and killed.

On June 20, the War Minister, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, said the men had been released for lack of sufficient evidence to bring them to trial.

Today, Mr. Shinwell said in the House of Commons that the decision was taken locally, and the answer I gave (on June 29) was based on advice received from the legal authorities.

Mr. Shinwell then declared: "Having since looked further into the matter myself and examined the evidence in consultation with the Judge Advocate General, I am now of the opinion that there may be evidence on which the two Japanese in question can be prosecuted, and I have therefore issued instructions that the cases should be reopened."

Grant For Malaya Varsity

London, July 26. The Colonial Office announced tonight that Colonial Secretary Arthur Creech Jones has approved a grant of £1,000,000 toward the cost of the new University of Malaya.

The money will be from the Higher Education Allocation of the Colonial Development and Welfare Funds. The allocation depends upon the presentation of a building scheme acceptable to the Colonial University Grants Advisory Committee.

In advising the Government of Malaya of the grant, the announcement said the Colonial Secretary remarked "It is evidence of the great importance which both the Advisory Committee and I attach to the projected University and will, I hope, encourage those who have been working so hard in the Federation and in Singapore to forward this great project."—Associated Press.

ELECTIONS IN TASMANIA

London, July 26. Sir Hugh Blinney, Governor of Tasmania, has dissolved the State House of Assembly, which has a Labour majority, Radio Australia reported today.

The dissolution was expected after a deadlock between the House of Assembly and the Legislative Council, in which Labour has only one representative.

A general election will be held on Aug. 21.—Reuter.

ALLOCATIONS BY RICE COMMITTEE

Mexico City, July 26. The 16-nation Rice Committee announced today distribution of 206,400 metric tons of rice to 14 geographical areas for 1948.

Allocations include: China 20,000 metric tons, the Philippines 15,000, Indonesia 25,000, Korea and Ryukyu Islands—25,000, Malaya 20,000, India 20,000, Ceylon, 5,000 and Borneo 3,700.

The Committee recommendations were decided upon last week, but announcement was withheld until distribution could be announced simultaneously in Mexico City and Washington.

The Committee, one of the commodity organizations of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, allocated to Europe only part of the surplus available in recommendations for 16 European countries announced earlier.

Supplying countries and the number of metric tons they will have for export include: Spain 100,000, the United States 81,900, Egypt 20,750, Mexico 10,000, Ecuador 13,000 and Australia 1,000.

The largest rice allocation was for Cuba which will receive 47,000 tons, mostly from the United States. Other allocations included: Saudi Arabia 18,000, Syria 9,500 and South Africa 5,000.

The Committee does not buy or sell rice or participate directly in its distribution. After recommendations are made, the exchange of rice is undertaken in

GOODS TRAINS TO RED ZONE STOP

London, July 26. Britain and the United States hit back at the Russian blockade of Berlin today by banning the movement of goods trains across the Soviet Zone-Bizone German frontier.

The rail ban, caused—like the blockade—by "technical difficulties," does not affect through freight between Western Europe (including the French Zone, which is not taking part in the ban) and Eastern Europe, in both directions.

ITALY'S NARROW ESCAPE

Rome, July 26.

Italy's July 14-15 reign of Communist violence proved the existence of plans for a Red revolution, Interior Minister Signor M. Scelba said today.

"And in some zones," he added, "the Communists thought the moment had come for a coup d'etat." The chief of Premier de Gasperi's public security forces added: "The Government dominated the situation. And I think the State has enough forces now to meet the internal situations, even more serious."

Signor Scelba granted an exclusive hour-long interview to United Press at the Government's Vittoriano Palace. The day was hot and he sat behind his desk in a short sleeved sport shirt with a red and blue tie. He gestured lavishly to illustrate his blunt analysis of the Communist disorders in Italy.

He hinged on the report on the reaction to the shooting of the Communist boss, Palmiro Togliatti, 11 days ago. He said that the general strike was purely a political action and the Communist-directed violence and sabotage revealed the existence of a well-ordered plan for insurrection, but "I never feared the country ran the risk of being overcome by an action in the public squares."

Signor Scelba added: "The rapidity of local actions and the variety of manifestations leads to the belief that the insurrectional action in Italy—where there was a movement of insurrection—was not dictated by the Communist Central Committee, which rather than direct the action, left it to develop by itself along the practical plan of reserving itself to lead the Party according to the development of events."

He indicated the Government belief that Communism suffered a great loss of prestige because the local sections went too far, while the Central Committee was unable to make all regional leaders accept immediately their orders to stop the general strike and violence.

"But if the Central group did not issue the general orders for insurrection, facts confirmed the existence of plans of an insurrectional character developed for some time," he said.—United Press.

It halts the remaining trickle of traffic between the Soviet Zone and Bizonia and stops East European trade with the Anglo-American sector and the Soviet Zone—trade with Western Europe through the Bizone.

Observers in Frankfurt, where the order was issued to the German Bizonal Railway Administration, had no doubt that the "difficulties" were of the same character as those given by the Russians as their reason for closing land communications with Western Europe and would last as long.

The joint American-British action appeared to be the most positive counter-move yet taken by the Western Allies to break the Russian blockade of Berlin.

General Lucius Clay and General Sir Brian Robertson, the American and British Military Governors, took the action at a conference in Frankfurt. The restrictions are effective at once. The prohibition is against the movement of all trains "originating or terminating" in the Soviet zone.

When the Russians stopped traffic on the long railway between Berlin and the Western zones of Germany, they asserted "technical difficulties" were the cause.

Another Move

Coupled with the Anglo-American suspension of Ruhr steel and coal shipments to the Soviet zone after the Russians blocked Berlin, the British spokesman said, the Allied restrictions on rail traffic were bound to have serious economic effects on Eastern Germany.

In another development, the Berlin City Government ordered the dismissal of Police President Paul Markgraf, who was appointed to his position by the Russians in 1945.

Dr. Ferdinand Friedensburg, Deputy Mayor of Berlin, said he had handed Markgraf a letter of dismissal, ordering him to turn over his office to his assistant. The move was expected to have wide repercussions in this four-power city.—Reuter and Associated Press.

Terrier's Ride To London

Newton-in-Makerfield, July 26.

Mac, a two-year-old wire-haired terrier, was back at his home here today after a 388-mile round trip by train in search of his mistress.

Mac darted between the legs of his owner, W.H. French here on Saturday, scooted around the corner and boarded the London-bound train.

"Mac never before showed a real interest in trains," French told police in reporting the loss, "but a few days ago, he was with me when I said good bye to my daughter. I think he may have boarded the train with the idea that it would take him to her."

Mac showed up at London's Paddington Station yesterday, tired, dirty and dispirited. Railway police, alerted to look out for the terrier, picked him up and sent him back here today.

French was at the station to welcome the wanderer.—United Press.

Vampire Jets For Cyprus

Nicosia, July 27.

A whole squadron of British "Vampire" jet-propelled fighters will follow the first two already here. The "Vampires" will arrive soon and replace the force of Spitfires based on Cyprus.

It is learned from well-informed sources that great significance is attached to this arrangement as the jet fighters based here will cover a greater area with greater speed.—Agence France-Press.

Taruc's Plea To Huks

Manila, July 26.

Congressman Luis Taruc, leader of the Hukbalahaps, today urged 1,000 Huk peasant union members to take advantage of the amnesty, in a speech at the town plaza of Santa Cruz, capital of Laguna, 60 miles south-east of Manila.

Taruc warned that banditry and terrorism would be punished and asked for national unity in the fight against foreign imperialism, which he called the No. 1 problem.

However, no Huks have registered or turned in their firearms under the amnesty offer which is expiring on July 31.

Asked about the surrender of firearms, which is an amnesty requisite, Taruc told United Press: "You've got to be patient. The main issue here is social amelioration not firearms."

"Civilian guards (retained by landowners) are armed and the peasants know it. It would not be fair to disarm one side alone."—United Press.

Gunman Kills Gangster

Peoria, Illinois, July 26. Bernie Shelton, a member of the notorious Shelton gang of the prohibition era, was shot and killed from an ambush today.

A gunman who hid in a clump of bushes near a tavern the former gangster patronized, killed Shelton with a single shot and escaped.

Shelton's elder brother, Carl, who headed the gang, was shot fatally at Fairfield, Illinois, on Oct. 27 last.

Bernie Shelton controlled gambling operations in the Peoria area until Mayor Carl Trible closed such activities years ago.

The Shelton gang wrote a bloody page of history in Southern Illinois during prohibition days when the gang's feud with the Charlie Bilger mob was held responsible for scores of deaths.

Shelton once moved a fleet of armoured cars into Marion City to demonstrate his power.—Associated Press.

ORIENTALISTS. MEET

Paris, July 26. Delegates from 13 countries and the Vatican are taking part in the 21st International Congress of Orientalists in Paris. They will discuss an Orientalist Union and a system of Bibliography of the Orient before they separate on July 31.

India, Britain, the United States, Belgium, Egypt, Finland, France, Hungary, Italy, Norway, the Netherlands, Persia and Turkey are represented.—Reuter.

LABOUR PARTY GAINS IN CONFIDENCE

London, July 26. Increasing British prosperity, propped by United States financial crutches, heartens Britain's Socialist administration at the end of their third year in full power.

The Government, more confident of its probable fate before the voters, is determined to carry on its slightly lagging schedule of public ownership projects, and already is planning its platform for elections tentatively set for May, 1950.

The Labour Government which took over the management of Britain's affairs on July 27, 1945, has had a tough sledding.

Britain lives by international trade. The trading accounts were totting up in the red before the war. Lost markets, sold investments, and war's wear and tear on an already declining industrial machine left a legacy of myriad basic troubles.

Improvement all along the line is noticeable now, but problems are still present.

The biggest in the trading deficit, still running on at the rate of more than \$551,000,000 a year. This is the hole that British workers, helped by American food and machinery, must plug in the next four years.

British production is now 11 per cent higher than it has ever been and 30 per cent above the 1948 level.—Associated Press.

Warship's Last Trip

Pearl Harbour, July 26.

The battleship Nevada, survivor of two atom bomb blasts, is on her last mission today—a 35-mile trip to destruction.

The battleship will be used in highly secret four-day tests of the Navy's newest non-atomic weapons. The ancient dreadnought left Pearl Harbour on Sunday in the tow of the Navy tug, Sicarilla.

If she survives the tests and is still afloat on July 30, the Nevada will be sent to the bottom by the battleship Iowa, the cruisers Astoria, Springfield and Pasadena, a group of submarines and Air Corps and Navy planes.—United Press.

GROMYKO IN GRIM MOOD

Stockholm, July 26.

The stateroom of Andrei Gromyko, retiring Soviet delegate to the United Nations, was guarded by a giant square-shouldered Russian when he arrived at Göteborg aboard the Gripsholm.

Forty pieces of baggage had been carried ashore when he appeared in the cabin door.

A near riot ensued when 30 reporters and photographers rushed forward. M. Gromyko posed unsmilingly for a minute to let the photographers work and then went straight to his car. He proceeded to Stockholm whence he is flying to Moscow.—United Press.

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Alliance Leading To War?

London, July 26.

Mr. Ronald Chamberlain warned the House of Commons today that American-Canadian participation in the Western Union defence discussions might lead to "something like a military alliance."

He said: "While defensive measures between the Western nations might be a good thing, a full-blooded military alliance could only eventually lead to war."

The Foreign Under-Secretary, Mr. Christopher Mayhew, said that the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin "is aware of all the implications."

Mr. Mayhew, Labour, asked for an assurance that the discussions would not lead to commitments to fight alongside the United States if the latter became involved in war with the Soviet Union.

"That does not arise," snapped Mr. Mayhew.—United Press.

Ideals Were Not Realised

Shanghai, July 26.

Lieut. Gen. Hsuan Ti-wu, Commander of the Shanghai-Wusong Garrison Headquarters, is determined to resign because his ideals could not be fulfilled.

General Hsuan first resigned three weeks ago, but was requested to remain at his post by Nanjing.

Chinese reports said his reason for insisting on quitting is because many of his recommendations for economic control were not adopted by the authorities.

It is rumoured that Lieut. Gen. Cheng Chia-min, head of the Intelligence Department of the Ministry of National Defence and formerly attached to General George Marshall's mediation organization—Executive Headquarters—in Peiping may succeed General Hsuan.

General Cheng is described as one of the most trusted associates of President Chiang Kai-shek.—Reuter.



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UNITED NATIONS COMMITTEE'S ACCUSATIONS AGAINST DUTCH ARMED BLOCKADE OF REPUBLIC

Lake Success, July 26.
The United Nations Good Offices Committee in Indonesia charged today that the Dutch used armed force to blockade the Indonesian Republic, thereby causing "grave" hardship to 80,000 natives.

The Committee said that trade restrictions, backed by the Dutch Navy, "give the civil and military authorities of the Netherlands absolute control" over trade of the republic.

The Committee cabled the Council that this total embargo on the Republic's trade had caused severe shortages of medical supplies, as well as of machinery and other goods needed to repair war havoc in Indonesia.

This firm and unequivocal support of Indonesian charges that the Dutch had clamped a blockade on them during the six-month truce came as the Security Council prepared to consider tomorrow why mediation efforts had failed.

The Commission, in a 2,000-word cable, declared: "What ever the intent of the Netherlands Government, the blockade violated the truce agreement and in effect gave the Dutch complete mastery over the Indonesians."

Trade Policing
The Commission sketched this thorough job of trade policing by the Dutch: All goods leaving and entering Indonesia are Dutch licensed and must pass Dutch check points. All trade within the Republic must be done on a barter basis and Indonesian traders may not cross the truce line set by the Commission. All foreign credits secured from exports go to the Dutch Government.

The Commission said that "large and important areas adjoining the coast of the Republic" were closed to shipping not previously approved by the watch-dog Dutch Navy.

This makes possible almost complete prohibition of import into Republican-held territories of equipment and supplies for transportation and rehabilitation.

"An overwhelming proportion of the Republican population has been practically cut off from seaborne trade and trade with other Republican areas"—United Press.

KIEL DERELICTS

Hamburg, July 26.
One of Adolf Hitler's largest naval graveyards will be probed soon when German divers plunge into the North Sea off Kiel to "clean up" the bottom of the harbor, administration officials said today.

Below are 150,000 tons of what once was the German Navy, sunk by Allied bombs.

The officials said most of the relics would be sold to Britain as scrap metal.—United Press.



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Communism In PI

Manila, July 26.
Four alleged Communists have been arrested by the Philippine Constabulary in the southern Philippine port of Iloilo, according to press dispatches reaching Manila today.

The four men, captured on the outskirts of the city on Sunday, were said to be carrying Communist papers at the time of their arrest. They are all young Filipinos.—Reuter.

Britons In Jewish Hands

Lake Success, July 28.
Britons will raise the Jewish detention of five Britons recently abducted in Jerusalem by Irgun Zvai Leumi terrorists in the Security Council tomorrow.

Sir Alexander Cadogan, chief British representative, was expected to ask the Council to approve a resolution supporting the efforts of the Palestine Truce Commission to have the five men released.

If the five men, formerly employed in the Jerusalem Electricity Company, are released tonight, no complaint will be made in the Council, it was understood. But if their detention without a formal charge is continued, the British delegation, with the support of several others, is determined to press the case as strongly as possible.

The Council is meeting tomorrow to consider the Indonesian and Palestine question.—Reuter.

FIGHTING IN KASHMIR

New Delhi, July 26.
Two hundred "enemy" troops were killed, including two officers, one believed to be a battalion commander, on July 25 in the Kashmir fighting, an Indian Defence Ministry communique stated tonight.

The engagement took place between Indian troops and Pakistan troops and raiders northwest of Chakothi, 50 miles west of Srinagar, the communique stated.

In another clash, party which attempted to filter into one of the Indian forward positions in the Tithwal area, 65 miles southwest of Srinagar, was forced to retreat after effective mortar fire, the communique added.—Reuter.

FRENCH CRISIS SETTLED

Paris, July 26.
The Socialist Party Secretary-General, M. Guy Mollet, announced today that the Socialist Party informed M. Andre Marie that they were ready to participate in the Cabinet he is about to present to the House.

He announced that this decision had been taken by the Socialist parliamentary group by 55 votes with 12 abstentions.

The same group approved, by 46 votes to 21, that the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs should be given to the former premier, M. Paul Reynaud, who is strongly supported by M. Marie.

M. Marie told the press that, following the acceptance by the Socialists and, considering the fact that all other parties approached by him had accepted his proposals, he would be able to introduce his Cabinet to the President of the Republic.—Agence France-Press.

WHAMPOA LAND PRICE INCREASES

Canton, July 26.
With the local Government concentration on the industrial development of Whampoa, the port of Canton, the value of land in that area has increased considerably in recent months.

Some sites along the Whampoa Bund are now said to be worth as much as HK\$2,000 per 100 square feet.

The Whampoa reconstruction scheme, to be carried out with the aid of funds from the American loan to China, includes the construction of an airfield, a railway, wharves and godowns.—Reuter.

RAF STARTS A PAMPHLET WAR

Singapore, July 26.
Seven Malay policemen in Johore state drove off a band of insurgents who raided the police station at Kahang today.

The police spurned an offer by the insurgents not to attack the station if the officers would turn over their weapons.

Shots were then traded for 15 minutes and the Communists fled. Bloodstains indicated they suffered casualties.

Police, Army and RAF pursued the attackers.

The first round of a psychological campaign against the guerrillas opened when RAF planes dropped 150,000 leaflets on villages throughout the Federation.

Printed in Chinese, Malay, Tamil and English, they declared: "There can be only one end for the running dogs of the Communists—betrayal and death." They told of the deaths of Lau Yew, leader of the outlawed Malay People's Anti-Japanese Army, who was shot by the police on July 10.

More than 500 Chinese were made homeless today when Malay bandits burned down half the village of Renia, in Sillawan district. There were no casualties, but 47 shops and houses were destroyed.

Aussie Reds' Appeal

The RAF Headquarters at Kuala Lumpur announced that 10 armed rebels were found dead in a hut attacked by rocket-firing Spitfires last Wednesday.

The police in the Federation of Malaya and in Singapore have received in recent weeks 10,200 rifles, 1,250 Sten guns, 50 Bren guns, 1,500 pistols, and other weapons, together with appropriate quantities of ammunition.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, gave these figures in a Parliamentary reply in London today.

In Sydney, Mr. L.L. Sharkey, Secretary of the Australian Communist Party, said tonight that the Communists would make a direct appeal to alienated workers to join the waterside workers and seamen in banning the export of arms to Malaya.

Greek Premier Resigns

Athens, July 26.
The Prime Minister, M. Themistocles Sophoulis, who took office less than a year ago at American urging, went to the Royal Palace tonight to present his resignation to King Paul.

Reliable sources said M. Sophoulis had fallen out with some members of his Liberal Party over the price of wheat.

The King rushed back to Athens from a trip to the country and called M. Sophoulis to the Palace in an attempt to change his mind.—United Press.

POP

YOU'RE VERY QUIET POP!
WHY ARE YOU DOING?

PRACTISING FOR THE WIRELESS
HARP ORCHESTRA

Music in Miniature

THIS IS MY WIRELESS
HARP!

RIP KIRBY

By ALEX RAYMOND



CAPTAIN, YOU ARE COVERING FOR THE STARLOCKS AND THEREFORE LEAVING YOURSELF OPEN TO GRAVE CHARGES! THEIR ADOPTION OF SHAWN MALONE IS ILLEGAL... AND THEY KNOW IT!

MY BUSINESS IS RUNNING THIS SHIP GIRL! THE OWNER IS MY MASTER, AND HIS PERSONAL AFFAIRS ARE NO CONCERN OF MINE!

IF THEY PERSIST IN HOLDING THE CHILD, THEY ARE GUILTY OF ABDUCTION, OR WORSE! I'D ADVISE YOU TO TELL ME WHERE THEY HAVE GONE!

SIR, I HAVE MY ORDERS AND CHOOSE TO OBEY THEM. NOW WILL YOU KINDLY LEAVE MY SHIP?

EVEN LOYALTY CAN BE CARRIED TOO FAR, CAPTAIN! YOU'RE BEING FOOLISH!

MY BARBS WILL TAKE YOU ASHORE, SIR!

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



IS THIS THE WOMAN? Hmm, I WISH TO BUY THAT HAT, NAME YOUR OWN PRICE!

I TOLD YOUR SECRETARY I WON'T SELL IT! AND WHAT'S MORE—EASY, NARDA!

RIDICULOUS! I ALWAYS GET WHAT I WANT! THERE—OH—

YOU—YOU—? LADIES—LADIES—? I'LL—I'LL—I'LL!

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and THEATRE
NEWS
JULY
ISSUE
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JANE



WELL, GOODNIGHT, DOVE! IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME, I THINK I'LL TURN IN!

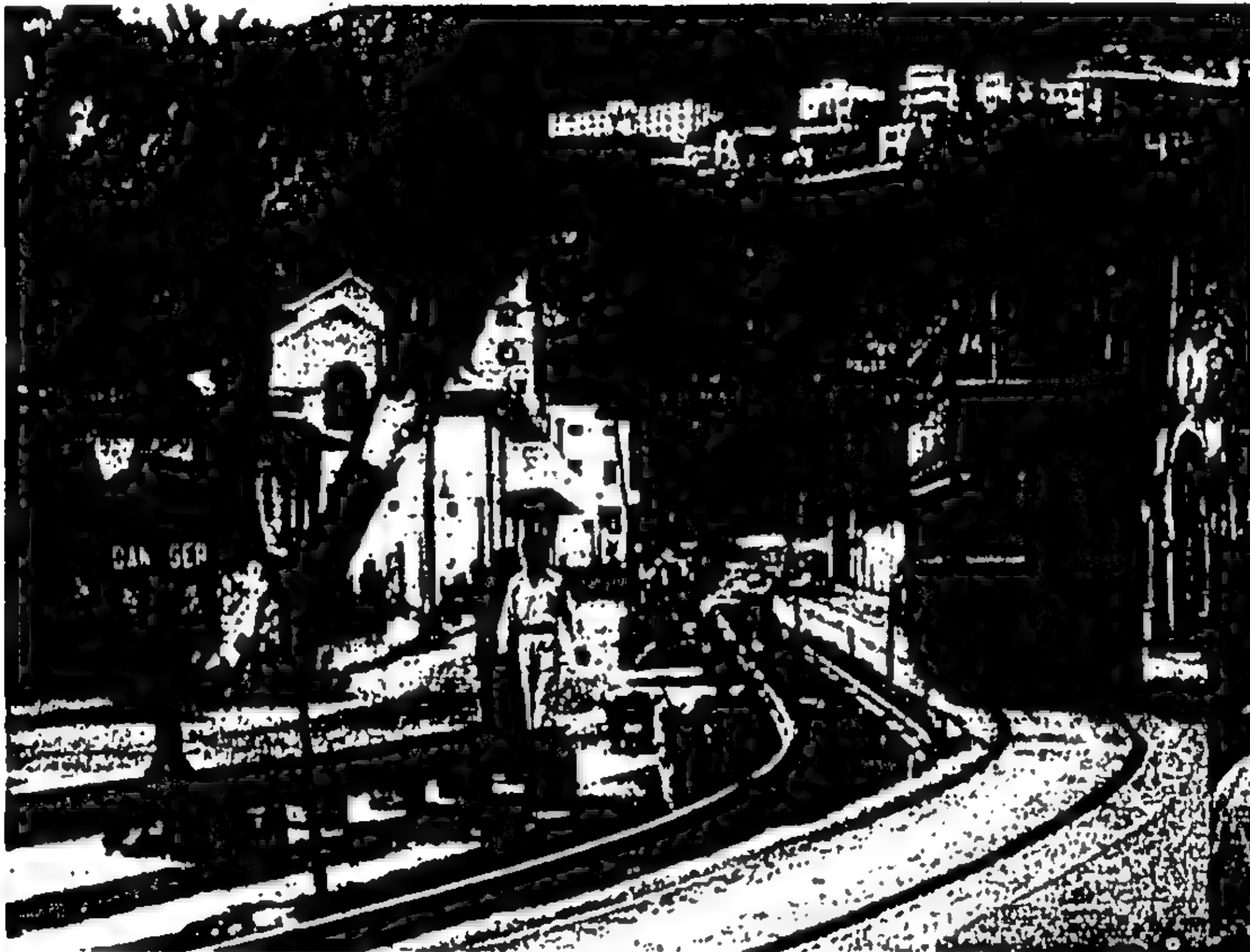
HUMPH—EVEN SCIENCE CAN'T SAVE FROM TEMPTATION! (WHISPERING TO JANE)

I'LL DO THE SAME MY DEAR!

I FEAR OUR MASQUINE PRIVACY IS BEING THREATENED BY THESE THREE GENTLEMEN!

OH, I DUNNO! SHE MAY PLAY GOLF OR DOLLARDS!

PREVIEW—WHAT AN EVENING, FRITZ!—IN THAT'S A SPECIMEN OF THEIR SHAR TALK! IT'S GOING TO BE AN UPHILL JOB HUMANIZING OR REYDON'S BOYS...



"CLANG, CLANG, CLANG WENT THE"—TRAMCARS

For the 66,219,556 (paying) passengers carried last year by the Hong Kong Tramways Ltd., this is probably their first glimpse of the organisation necessary to keep those trams running.

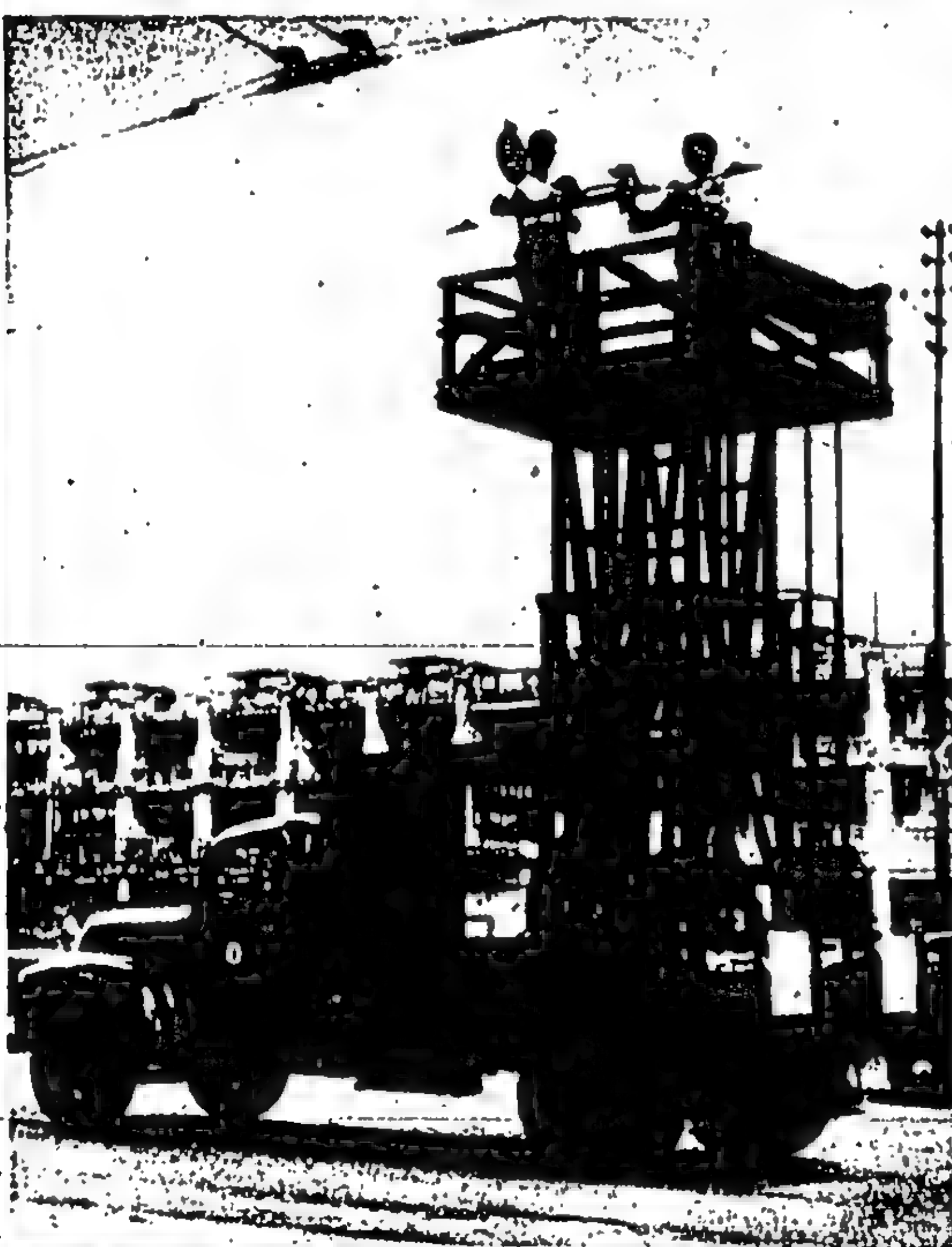
The first car leaves the depot each morning at 5.49, and from then until 12.58 p.m., when the last car returns to base, trams of the company are coping with the hordes of passengers which are carried daily. The longest route in the Colony is the run from Shaukiwan to Western Market, a distance of 6.63 miles—probably one of the cheapest rides in the world, for the first class fare is only 20 cents.

(Photographs by the "China Mail")



Above: General view of tram track realignment to the centre of roadway between Jockey Club Entrance and The Monument.

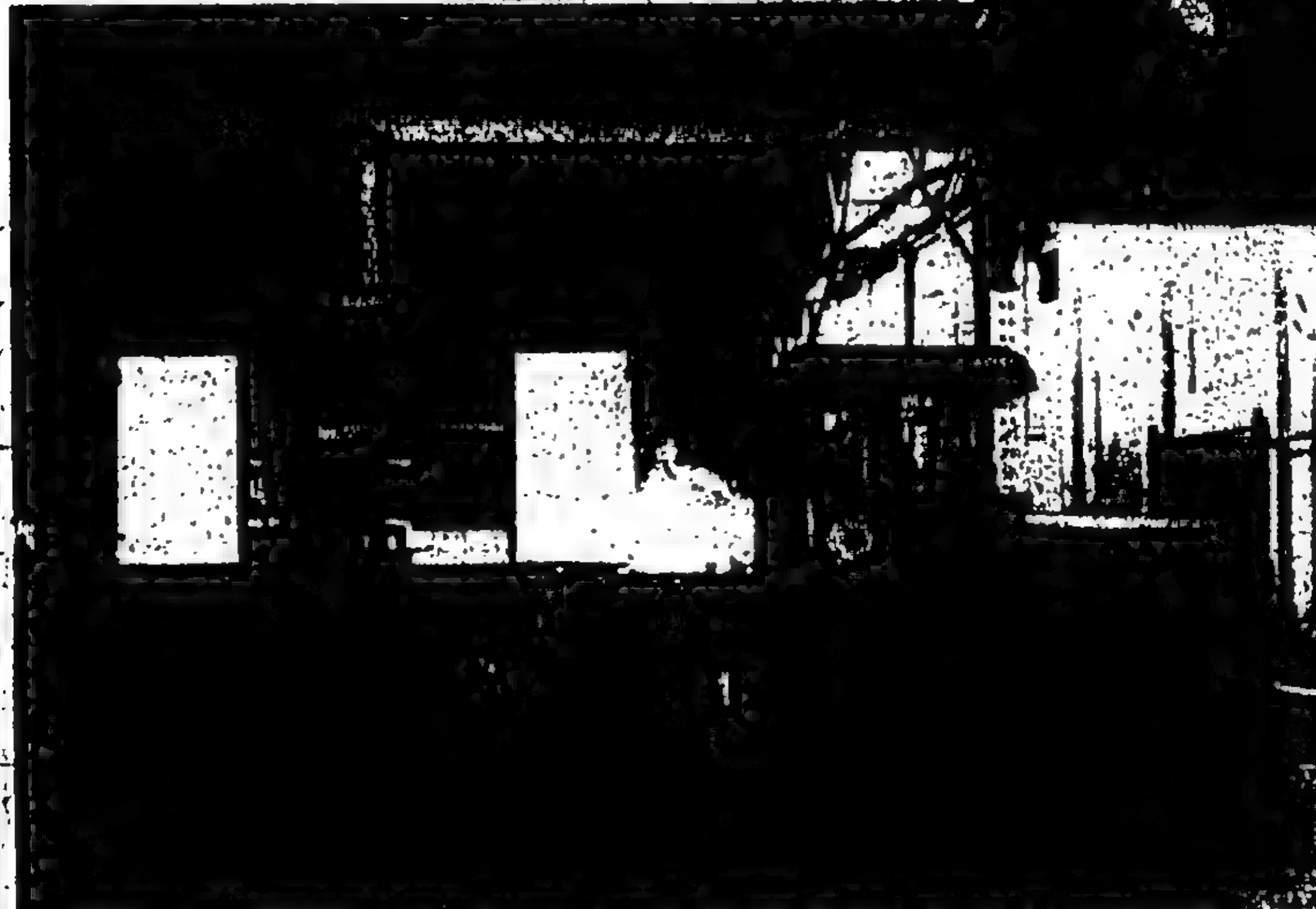
Overhead linesmen at work on special Section Insulator fittings on the Trolley Wire.



Pneumatic road breaking tools at work.



Outside view of Breakdown Van showing side compartments with doors opening outwards allowing heavy lifting jacks and packing for same to be easily handled.



Running repairs, such as securing hand rails and repairing lifeguards being carried out in car sheds.



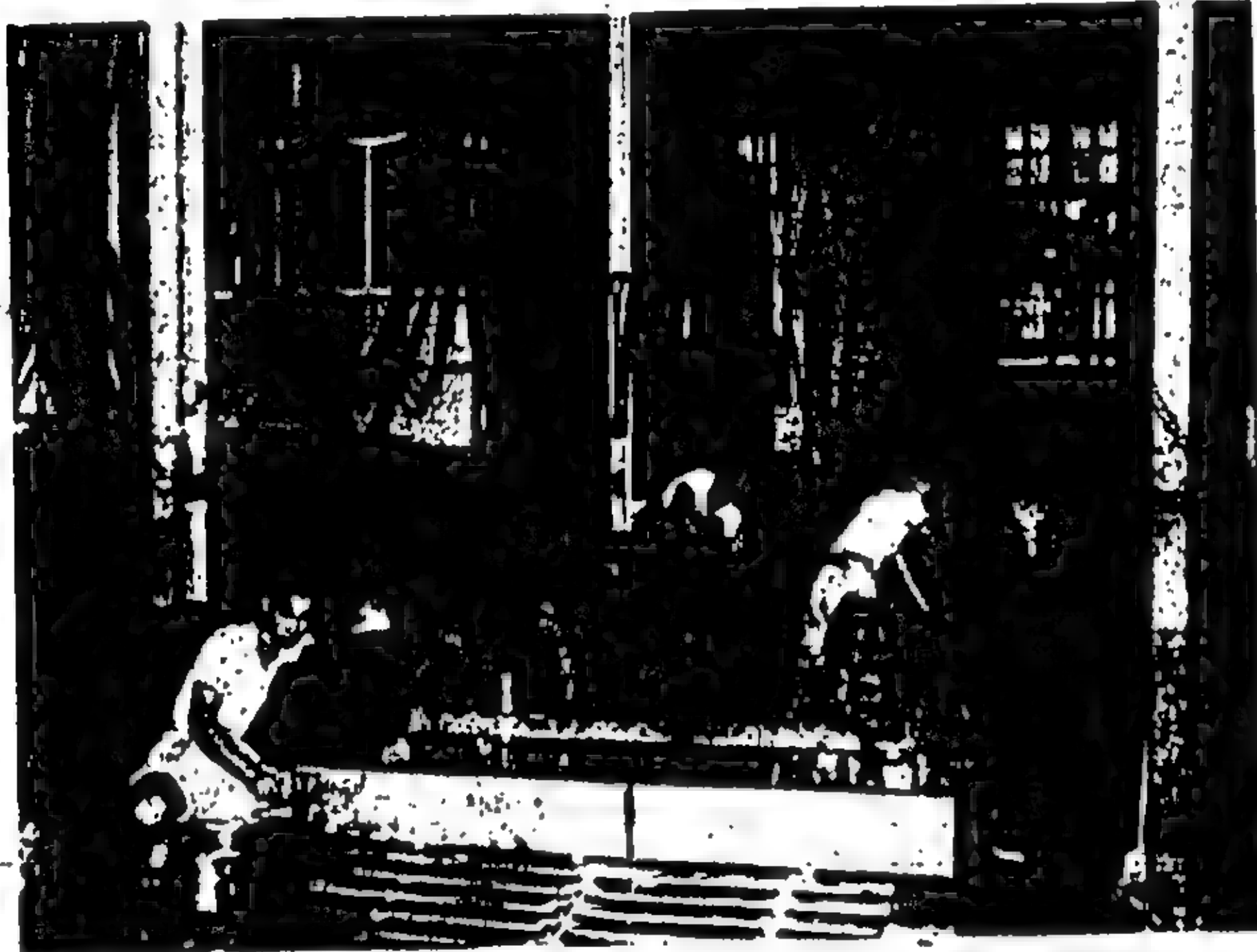
Rail ends clamped together in jig and a ratchet operated milling cutter being used to face up the rail ends prior to the Thermit Welding operation.



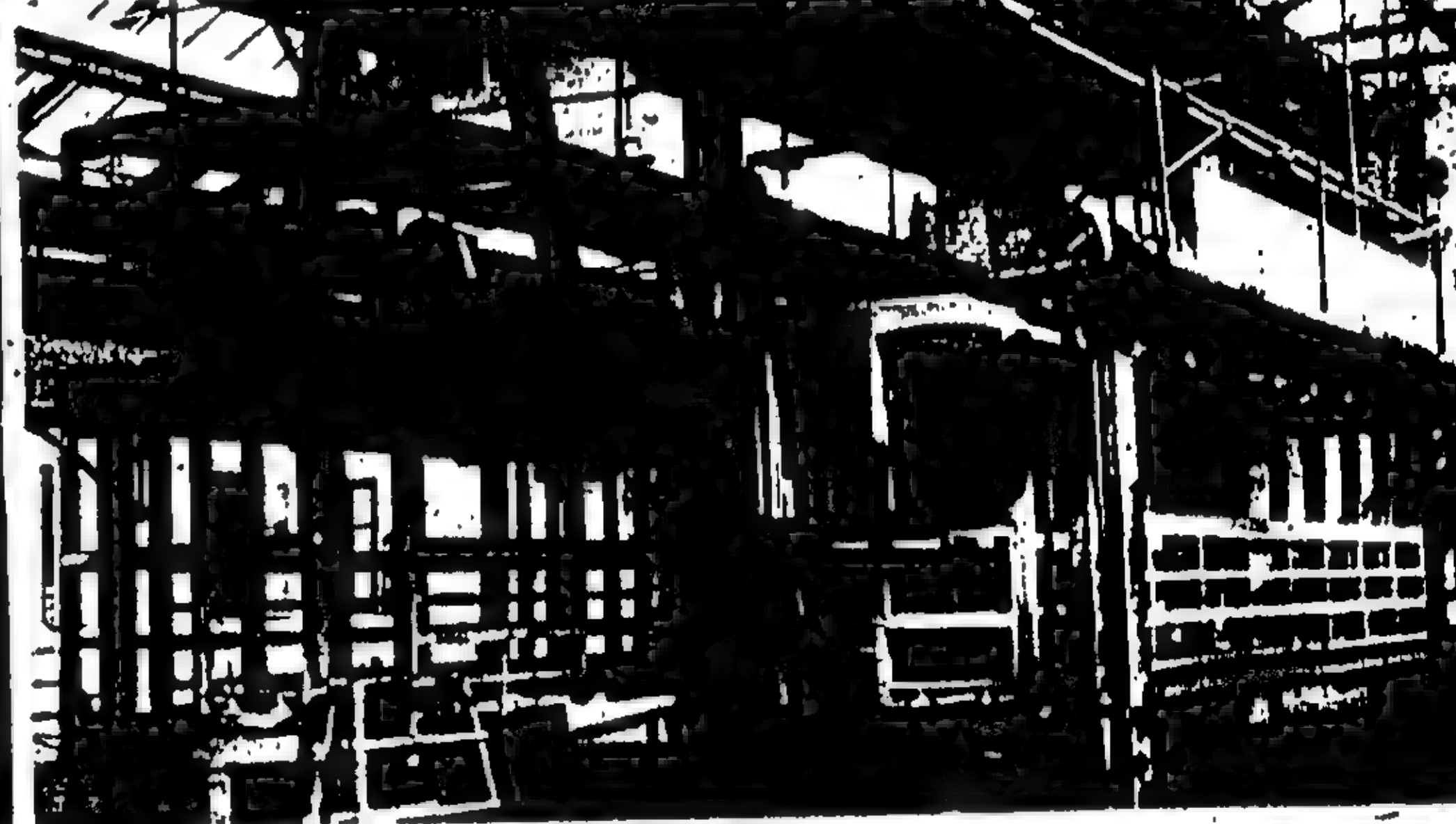
Mould in position over rail joint; same being pre-heated and the crucible being filled with Thermit Welding.



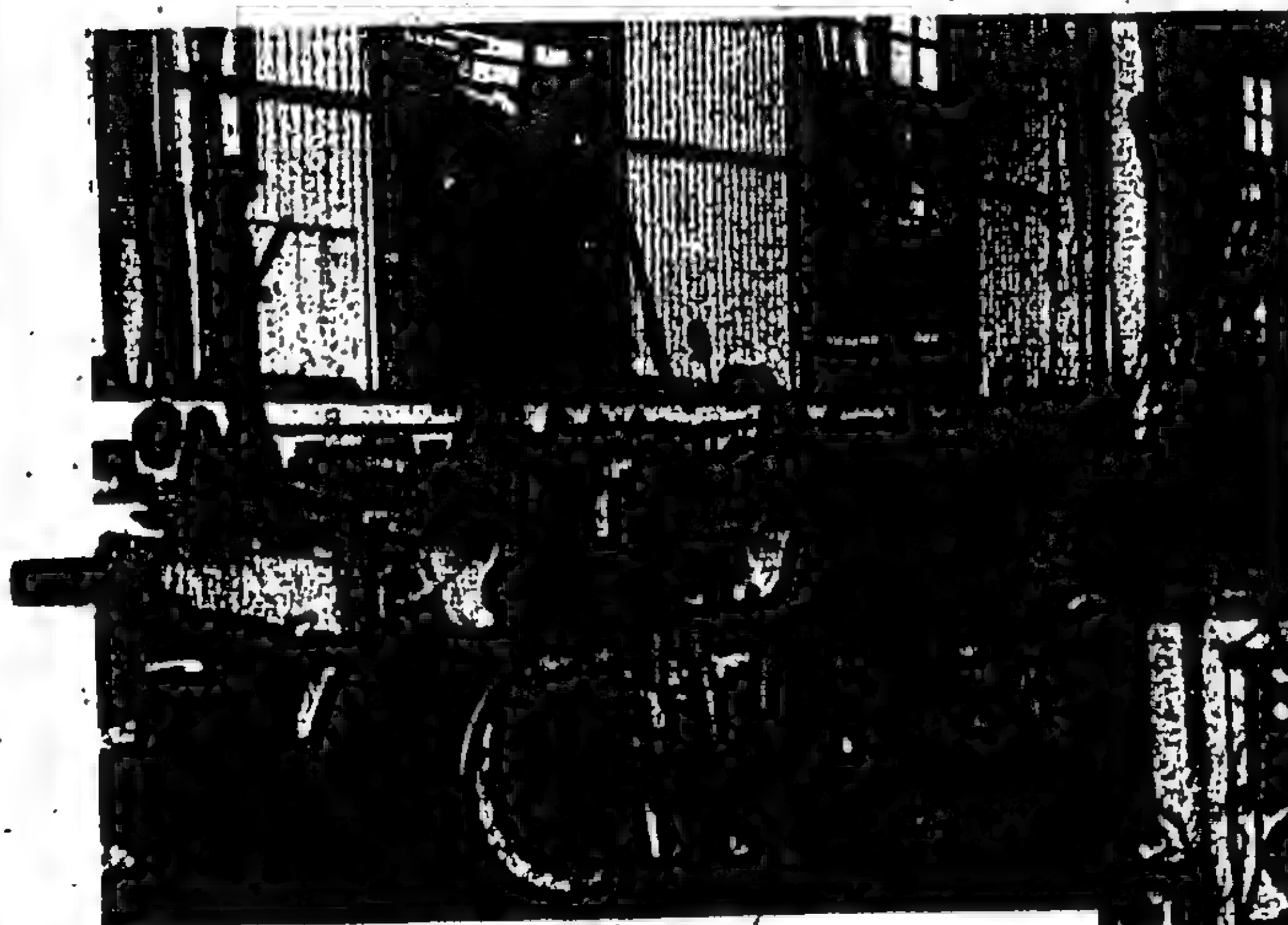
Liquid steel running in the mould; the two rail ends cooled off; the two rail ends joined.



Tramcar truck being re-assembled and in background tramcar body shown elevated on hoist and truck stripped for overhaul.



Photos above and below show new tramcar bodies in early and advanced state of construction.



Tramcar truck being re-assembled. Newly tyred wheels, gear wheels and axle-boxes also shown.

Part view (right) of Electrical Shop showing rewinding of tramcar motor armatures in progress.



Moulder's to brake shoe



Operative



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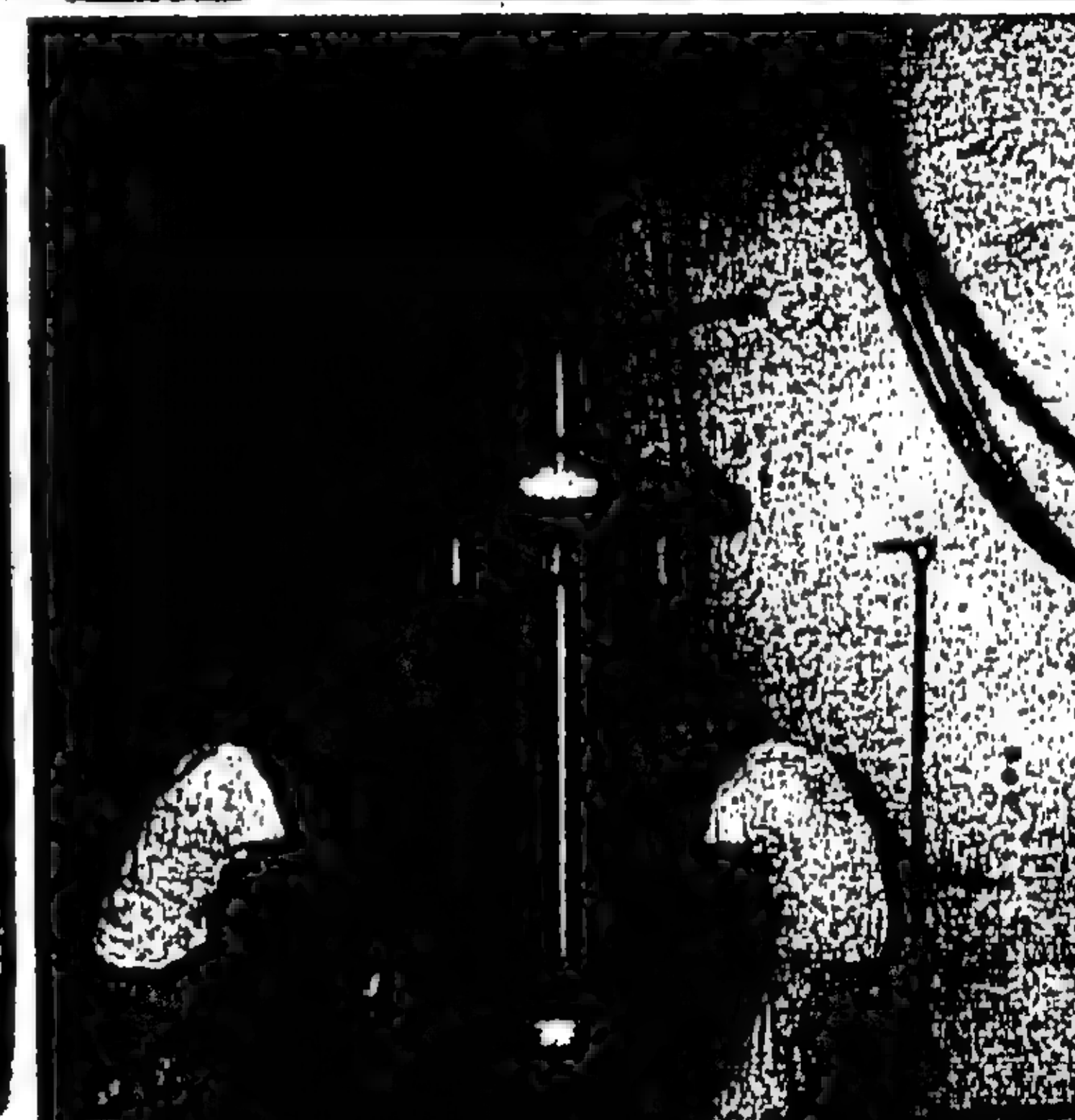
Grinding surplus metal from a Thermit
Welded rail joint using a flexible grinding
machine.



Smoothing
off dead level
the Thermit
welded rail
joint, using a
hand rail
plane file. —



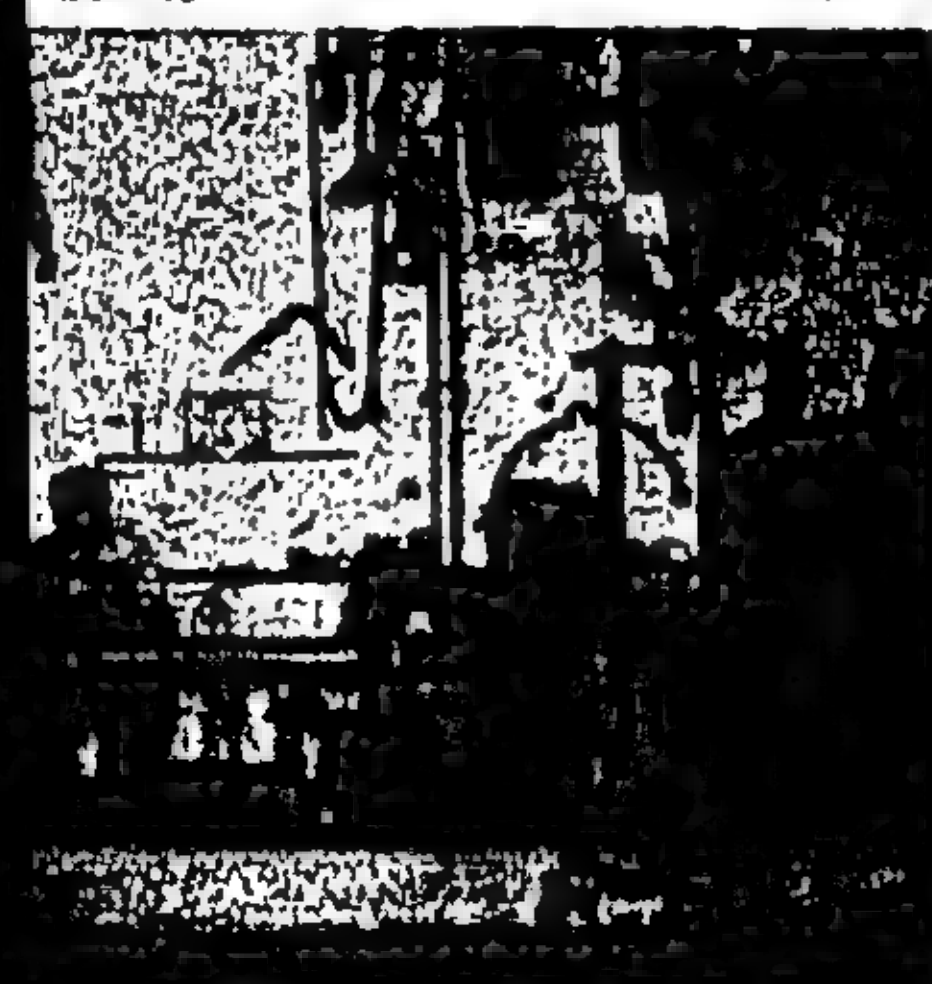
A corner of the Ticket Office show-
ing conductors' ticket boxes being pre-
pared and ticket punches made ready
for the next day.



Wheels and
axles being
lowered into
a new tyre
which has
been heated
and expanded
in the
nearby gas
forge. After
cooling, the
tyre contracts
and becomes
firmly shrunk
on to the
wheel centre.



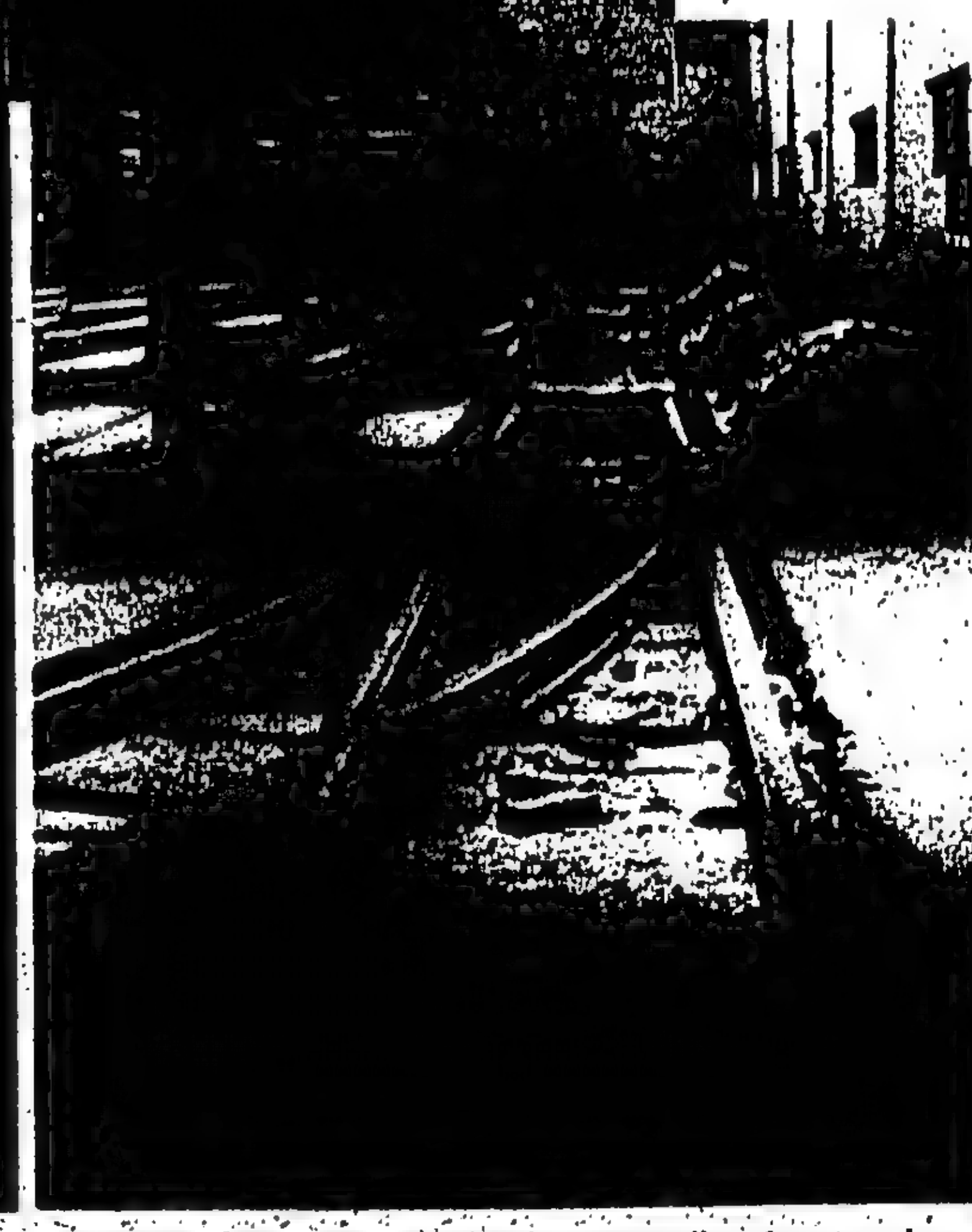
molten cast iron being poured in-
boxes.



ing wheel tyres to gauge limits.



A tramcar controller being serviced.



King's Road Depot showing excavation for new in-
spection pits and special trackwork for same.

TEEN AGE TOPICS

Hello Kids

I don't know you, and you don't know me, so let's get acquainted. My name is Gordon. I am 15. When school came out I got a job on the "China Mail" which you can guess by now, lead to this article.

Now you tell me about you. I already know something about you. I know that you, like me, and all the rest of us teen agers, like parties, and hit songs, and lots of other things along that line. Well I have taken advantage of this.

Last night I was thinking. Since we have so many things in common, we ought to stick together. This is a big world, there are lots of things to do. We can't do them all.

So every Wednesday we can find out what someone else is doing. If you don't have something else to do, this page will give you some ideas.

But it isn't as easy as all that. You must tell me what you are doing. If you play baseball, write up something about what's going on in baseball. And don't worry about it not being good; if it's not good, it won't be printed.

I have my fingers crossed, hoping you will like it. But if you don't, tell me why, and if you get a good idea, tell me what it is. It's not doing any good in your head if you don't do anything about it.

R. GORDON

THIS WEEK'S CONTEST \$10 In Prizes

Take a picture of a gang of kids, a party, or something of interest to teen agers, and send it to us. It must be on polished paper, and in black and white. Postcard size or larger. The object must be clear.

The winner will get \$10 cash. Remember that the people in it must be big, that it must be clear, and that you must stick to the subject. Good luck, and good shots.

Send your entries to the Editor, Teen Age Topics, "China Mail."

VIEWPOINTS

In this article we are going to find out what someone else thinks. Every week I will ask a question and you send me your opinion. But before you send it in, think: if you don't think before you write, it won't be worth reading. With your opinion, tell us your age, sex and the country you are from.

This week's question is: what age should girls wear lipstick? Or do you think they never should?

DAFFY DEFINITIONS

Daffy Definitions aims to build your vocabulary. So many people go through life only knowing very simple English.

This is a shame. If someone came up to you and said politely, "Hey bud, get your dogs off the floor. It's reserved for stuffed shirts only", would you like a foot say "oh thank you", or would you really know what he meant?

If you don't, then you had better study the following carefully.

- 1) ding bo
- 2) curfew caller
- 3) pucker paint
- 4) feed bag time
- 5) dogs
- 6) stuffed shirts
- 7) heebeejees

Answers upside down, but don't cheat!

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SWIMMING

Swimming is the top sport in Hong Kong now. Everyone has a good sun tan and is enjoying himself.

But at the KGS swimming meet something showed up very clearly. Very few of the swimmers had good form. They had played at the beach but hadn't thought about form. If Hong Kong ever expects to develop good swimmers, its swimmers must have form.

Thrashing water does no good. If you move through the water at a steady, smooth beat you will not get tired easily, and you get greater speed for less effort. So next time you go to the beach, try to spend about five minutes on form, it's for your own good.

Music

In school they are always trying to feed you classical music, whether you like it or not. I like both. Some people, and I hope that isn't you, say they like one, but can't stand the other. They are both music, and they are both very different.

In school you are given one type, so I will give you a mouthfull of the other.

In case you don't know it, there are records at 15 Chater Road. There is a yellow sign that says Columbia on the front of it. There you can buy:

- Five Minutes More
- Sello Lindo
- Bread and Butter Woman
- I've got My Captain Working For Me Now
- April Showers

and many others of this type. On the air at 7 p.m. every Saturday there is a request programme by Linda Cater. If you haven't heard it I suggest you tune in to ZBW then.

Class For A Lass

Now that summer holidays have come and we've put away our school uniforms until September—hurray!—I'm sure you're all thinking of cool summer frocks, shorts, and play suits.

Long hot days mean lazy hours on the beach—we hope! Bathing suits this year are very colourful. Most bathing suits come with matching long shirt or jacket.

The bra and bloomer suit is here with its matching skirt for after the swim. Denim shorts with lining—coloured plaid skirts worn over are popular for play. But blue jeans and sloppy joes as well as pop's old shirt, tall out, are OUT.

No dirty sneakers or scuffy loafers. Teen Agers are getting tidier and more dress conscious.

Frilly blouses off the shoulder, are worn "a la Gibson Girl" with peasant skirts or wide swirling gored skirts.

Shoes are of the ballet and Mary Jean type in coloured leathers.

Frocks are of bright plaid or pale pastel prints. Every dress has that "clean n' starched" look. Eyelet embroidery (broderie anglaise) trims most every dress.

For real dress up occasions, there are dresses of ruffling tulle with large bows and ruffs, off the shoulder bodices with ballerina length skirts showing ruffled lace.

So—you are going to look demure with an old-fashioned "little girl" look, this summer.

JUNE



Youth takes a fling. The kind of happy scene you can find on most beaches on Hong Kong's south shore any warm Sunday afternoon.

TOP TICKLERS

TEACHER: "The brain of an average college student is the most amazing thing known to science."

STUDENT: "How come?"

TEACHER: "It starts to work the minute he jumps out of bed, and doesn't stop until he reaches the classroom."

FIRST CLASS SCOUT: "Well, how did you sleep last night, sleeping bag comfortable?"

TENDERFOOT: "Oh it wasn't too bad. I got up now and then and rested."

"I had a fight today, Pop."

"Who won?"

"I don't know, I left in the middle of it."

BRITISH SAILOR: "Battleship! Why the Flagship of our navy is so big that the captain has to motor round the deck."

AMERICAN SAILOR: "You ought to see our flagship. The kitchen is so large that the cook has to go through the Irish stew in a submarine to see if the potatoes are cooked."

JONES: "I'm having awful trouble with eczema, teacher."

TEACHER: "Good heavens, how did you get it?"

JONES: "Oh I haven't got it; I just can't spell the darn stuff."

BRINGING UP PARENTS

It happens to all of us. You come home only an hour and a half late and there is a—1 to pay. Your parents have been up worrying what has happened to you. You think they are nuts. You think you are a big boy or girl now and can take care of yourself.

Your parents have been taking care of you all of your life. It's a habit with them. They like it whether they think so or not. They think they have to take care of you no matter how old you are.

The clash comes when you think you are grown up, and they are still telling you how to do everything big or small, important or not.

Even if they are dumb, old fashioned, or asleep, you must make the change slowly. Always get on their side. After the party is over, tell them what happened. When you have problems, ask them what they think you should do, even if you have no intention of taking their advice!

When you have them thinking about how much fun they had at parties when they were your age, you have won. From then on there's smooth sailing. Just don't forget that they are human too.

There's nothing better than a happy home. So why not work on having one. You will have trying moments, but keep cool, and I'm sure you will win in the end.

Culture Corner

All of us get the jitters when we have to introduce someone to someone else. This is because we do not know what to do and we are not sure of ourselves.

Right now I have a book in front of me, written by Betty Betz. She is a pro. at things—like this and her word is as good as anyone else's.

She says one should present a boy to a girl and a younger person to an older person. To be formal say "how do you do" but usually a simple hello, or hi will do.

The girls especially should remember that a firm handshake is friendly. Many of you make your hand like a dead fish. Remember to squeeze: (the boys should remember not to squeeze too hard.)

Also remember that just mentioning names isn't enough. You should light a conversation, mention something they are both interested in. If they both come from the same town, say so; this will start them on that "do you know where" sort of thing.



Senior girls diving at the K.G.S. swimming meet. This picture was taken by Teen Age Topics' own photographer, using his flash gun.



JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN SERVICE

	Arrivals	Sailings
"TJIBADAK"	from Amoy 2nd Aug.	to Javaports and Macassar 4th August.
"TJITJALENGKA"	from Macassar & Javaports 3rd August.	to Javaports & Macassar 15th August.
"TJISADANE"	from Macassar & Javaports 17th August.	to Javaports & Macassar 1st September.

ASIA-AFRICA-SOUTH AMERICA SERVICE

	Arrivals	Sailings
"RUYS"	from South Africa 31st July.	to Shanghai & Japan 3rd August. to South Africa South America via Manila Straits & Batavia 23rd August.
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	from Japan, 7th Sept.	to South Africa & South America via Manila Straits & Batavia 8th Oct.
"BOISSEvain"	from South America & South Africa 21st September.	to South Africa & South America via Manila, Straits & Batavia 10th November.

Transshipment cargo on through B/L to Dar-Es-Salaam, Mombasa, Zanzibar accepted on all sailings.

SUMATRA-MALAYA-CHINA SERVICE

	Arrivals	Sailings
"VAN HEUTSZ"	from B. Deli & Straits 3rd August.	to Swatow & Amoy 4th August.
"HEINRICH JESSEN"	from B. Deli & Straits 10th August.	to Swatow & Amoy 11th August. to Straits & B. Deli 18th August.

Agents: HOLLAND-EAST ASIA LINE

	Arrivals	Sailings
"MOLENERK"	from Japan & Shanghai, 29th July.	to Europe via Manila & Straits 30th July.
"MEERKERK"	from Europe 7th August.	to Europe via Straits 8th September.
"ANNENKERK"	from Europe 23rd August.	to Europe via Straits Mid September.

Transshipment cargo on through B/L accepted to Mediterranean and Northern European ports.
Agents: SILVER LINE LTD.

	Arrivals	Sailings
"SILVERWALNUT"	from U.S. Pacific coast Early Sept.	to Atlantic Ports and U.S. Mid. Sept.

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From	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	28th July 19th August 3rd Sept.	m.v. "DONA NATI" m.v. "DONA ANICETA" m.v. "TONGHAI"
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NANKING SEARCHING FOR NEW SYSTEM OF TAXATION

Nanking, July 27.

China's law makers are desperately seeking a new tax system which will lift part of the burden from the already hard-pressed farmers and put it on the shoulders of the wealthy business, industrial population.

London Stock Exchange

London, July 28.
Events on the London Stock Exchange today have proved very quiet and rather uninteresting. The late improvement seen in last week's markets was not followed through and the buying that has taken place has been mainly due to shortcovering.

British Government securities made a late start, but some demand for the short-dated issues made for some occasional firmness.

Among industrial tobacco and breweries were the most sought after issues, the bulk of the buying coming from the provinces. Elsewhere in this section few alterations worthy of mention occurred apart from the bright spot created by Cable & Wireless issues which were a strong feature, the ordinary being 25 higher at 188-1/2. This improvement was thought to be a reaction to the recent sharp fall.

Oil shares failed to maintain their initial improvements and closed occasionally below the best.

A feature of the foreign utilities was Mexican Light and Power issue which were flat on the day, valuation of the peso, the six per cent incomes being 25 lower at 45.

The better feeling that prevailed in the Kaffir market on Friday was again evident. With main Cape and local support several slight improvements were recorded, but the turn-over failed to show any expansion.

SECURITIES:
British Consols, 2 1/2% 70 1/2
Conversion Loan, 2 1/2% 1961, 104 1/2
Funding Loan, 4 1/2% 1969/70, 118 1/2
War Loan, 3 1/2% 1952, 102 1/2
War Loan, 3 1/2% 1952, 102 1/2
Victory Bonds, 4 1/2% ex-div, 112 1/2

RAILWAY SHARES:
British Transport, 3 1/2% 97 1/2

INDUSTRIALS:
British American Tobacco (of G.B. & Ireland), 5-7/16
Imperial Chemical Ind., 46/8
Imperial Tobacco Co. (of G.B. & Ireland), 5 1/4

TEA SHARES:
Assam Consolidated Tea, 22 1/2
Assam Frontier Tea, 14 1/2
Assam Tea Company, 22 1/2
Dunlop Tea Company, 27 1/2
Emp. of India & Ceylon Tea Co., 19 1/2
Imperial Tea Company, 20 1/2

MINE SHARES:
Barnes Corp., 6 1/2
Crown Mines, 11 1/2
Nasdaq Mines, 12 1/2
Rand Mines, 6 1/2
Spring Mines, 6 1/2
Nigeria, 4 1/2
Troy Tea Co., 1 1/2
Union Corporation, 25 1/2

SHIPPING:
Oil Dredge Co., 24 1/2
Shell Transport & Trading Co., 5-12/16
P. & O. Steam Nav. Co., ord. 84/-

FOREIGN BONDS:
German Loan (Dawson), 7 1/2
Japanese 5%, 1937/47, 18 1/2
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Jap. S. Manchurian Ry., 6%, 1923, 22 1/2

BANKS:
Chartered Bank of I.A. & C., 11-11/16
J.M. & Co. Bank, 11 1/2
Mercantile Bank of India, 21 1/2

CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS:
Tientsin-Pukow Railway, 5 1/2
Liao-Tung-U-Jai Ry., 5 1/2
Hankow Railway, 5 1/2
Shanghai-Nanking Railway, 5 1/2
Kowloon Canton Railway, 5 1/2
Straits Settlements, 16

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Pending before the new Legislative Yuan is the so-called "soak the rich" bill which would apply forced levies practised by several local governments on a national scale. Blocked by strong opposition of law makers from commercial and industrial centres, this proposal will be revived when the Legislature meets on Sept. 1.

But even strong proponents admit it is not the solution to equal distribution of the tax burden. Designed for one-time application it is more of an emergency measure to raise money.

Financial experts said the practice of imposing direct taxation on farmers in China grew naturally. Their assets were always visible and food collections were always needed to feed China's armies.

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SILVER AND GOLD MARKETS
London—Silver, Spot fine ounce 45d; Forward fine ounce 45d. Bar, Gold, per fine ounce 172/6.

New York—Silver, Bar (asked price) 74-5/8 cts. Bar, Gold, per fine ounce (official) \$35.

Bombay—Silver, Ready, per 100 tolas 177 Rupees, 00 Annas; Forward per 100 tolas 174, 00; Gold, delivered, per tola 112, 14; Forward (unofficial) 112, 08; Sovereign 74 1/2. One tola is equal to 3/8th of an ounce, one tola is equal to 3/4 of an ounce.

Buenos Aires—Sovereign, buyers 103.00, sellers 106.00; U.S. Eagles, buyers 163.00, sellers 173.00. Gold, Bar, per Gramme, buyers 10.00, sellers 10.80.

Bangkok—Gold, Bar, baht-weight of 15.224 Grammes Exchange Rate (Selling), Bangkok, on New York—T.T.—20.20 London 60.50; Hong Kong 3.74.

Paris—Free Gold Prices: Napoleon 4,025 fr., French 10 francs, coins 1,870; Swiss franc 3,900; United States 3,825; Sovereign 5,100; Half Sovereign 2,230; U.S. Dollars coin (\$20) 10,000; U.S. Dollars coin (\$10) 8,900; Sovereigns (in free dollars per ounce) \$70.0; U.S. Dollars (in free dollars per ounce) \$70.3; U.S. Dollar notes (in black-market) 337/40.

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Hong Kong Stock Exchange

The market yesterday was quietly steady.

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4 1/2% Loan 100.
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BANKS:
H.K. & S. Bank 2000b, 2020a, 2015aa.
(Lon. Rev.) 211 1/2b.
Chartered Bank 211-11/16a.
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Shells (Heavy) 74/2a.
Canton Ind. 187 1/2a.
Union Ind. 75b, 750aa.
China Underwriters 7 1/2a.
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(N) 150aa.

North Point Wharves 9 1/2a.
H.K. Docks 29 1/2b.
China Provident 22 1/2a.
Shanghai Dockyards 15a.

RAUB MINES:
H.K. Mines 235a.
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS:
H. & S. Hotels 17 1/2a.
H.K. Land 20b, 205aa.
Shanghai Land 4b, 42aa.
Humphreys Estates 22 1/2a.
H.K. Raffles 18a.
China Exporters E.D. 180a.

PUBLIC UTILITIES:
H.K. Tramways 22 1/2b, 22 1/2a.
Peak Tram (Old) 28a (New) 15a.
Star Ferry 180a.
C. Lights (Old) 28 1/2a, 28 1/2aa.
(New) 19 1/2a.

H.K. Electric 44 1/2a.
Macao Electric 16 1/2a.
Sandsan Lights 14 1/2a.
Telephone 42 1/2a.
Shanghai Gas 50a.

INDUSTRIALS:
Cald. Macar. (Ord.) 25b.
Canton Ind. 187 1/2a.
Cementa X.D. 45b, 48 1/2a, 48 1/2aa.
H.K. Ropes 15 1/2a.

STORES:
Daily Farm (Ord.) 50 1/2a (New) 45a.
Walsons (Ord.) 62 1/2a, 62aa.
(New) 55b, 55aa.
Lane, Crawford 55b, 54/2aa.
Sincere 740a.

China Exporters E.D. 180a.
San Co., Ltd. 45a.
Kwong Sang Hong 100a.
Wing On (H.K.) 130a.
Wing Pow 12 1/2a.
MISCELLANEOUS:
China Entertainment 44a.
H.K. Construction (O) 8 1/2a (N) 8a.
Vibron (Old) 10 1/2b (New) 7a.
Maraman Investments 12 1/2a.
Maraman (H.K.) 14 1/2a.

COTTONS:
Eves 16 1/2a.
RUBBERS, ETC., COMPANIES:
Asiatic 6 1/2a.
Cheong Rubbers 30a.
Consolidated Rubbers 3a.
Koh's Rubber 130a.
Padang Rubbers 130a.
Rubber Trust 4 1/2a.
Sawagga Rubbers 1 1/2a.
Shanghai Pabang 2a.
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AUSSIES' GOOD POSITION

Leeds, July 27.
Australia were within striking distance of beating England at tea on the last day of the fourth Test Match today, when they had scored 288 for the loss of one wicket and needed only 113 to win.

HK HAS A NARROW SQUEAK

(Continued from Page 1)
The stoppage of the ferry services resulted in large numbers of people being stranded on both sides of the harbour.

Valley Flooded

Shops and other concerns occupying the ground floors of premises along the waterfront took precautions against flooding by placing their flood gates into position.

Morris and Bradman were the heroes of the innings, scoring 150 not out and 108 not out, respectively.

The hopes of England supporters were raised when Hassett, who opened with Morris, was caught and bowled by Denis Compton for only 17.
However, the complexion of the game soon changed when Don Bradman came in to join Morris, and the two of them stayed together until lunch.

When lunch was taken the score was 121 for the loss of one

PRO TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Scarborough, July 26.

Dan Maskell of Great Britain opened the defence of his singles crown in the 1,000 Slazengers professional tennis tournament today with a victory over C. Esling of Surrey.

Maskell, whose main opponents are Fred Perry of England and Yvon Petra of France, won 6-1, 6-2, 3-0, 6-2.

Other first round results included:

A.J. Estrameau, France, won from D. Bjurslett, Norway, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.

J. Deemou, Holland, won from E. Kelly, England, 6-1, 6-3, 6-0.

Karl Gherder, Sweden, won from J.H. Pryor, England, 6-0, 6-1, 6-0.

G. Mahmoud, Egypt, won from F. Frederburgh, England, 6-1, 6-2, 6-3.

W. J. Cole, England, 6-2, 6-2, 6-3.

A Simon of Belgium, advanced by default of an opponent who scratched. — Associated Press.

wicket. Australia then needed 280 to win and, with nine wickets in hand and the rest of the day to get the runs, appeared to be in a favourable position.

At lunch Morris was 63 not out, and the Don 35 not out. Extras accounted for six runs.

Two Centuries
Between lunch and tea the Morris-Bradman partnership continued on its way unchecked, both men getting not out centuries.

At tea Morris was 150 not out and Bradman 108 not out, with extras 13.

The score was then 288 for 1 wicket, and Australia still needed 113 to win.

England 1st Innings 406
Hutton c Bradman b Johnston 57
Washbrook c Harvey b Johnston 68

Edrich b b Lindwall 85
Compton c Miller b Johnston 69
Crapp b Lindwall 18
Yardley c Harvey b Johnston 7
Cranston c Saggers b Johnston 0
Bedser c Hassett b Miller 17
Evans not out 47
Laker not out 17
Extras 13

Total (for 5 declared) 362
O M R W
Lindwall 25 5 84 2
Miller 25 0 52 1
Johnston 10 2 95 0
Laxton 20 2 59 0
Johnson 21 2 85 1

Australia 1st Innings 458
Morris not out 150
Hassett c b Compton 17
Bradman not out 108
Extras 13
Total (for 1) 288
—Reuter.

S. CHINA REQUEST REJECTED

An application by the South China Athletic Association to enter two teams in the First Division of the Hong Kong Football League was refused by the League Management Committee at a meeting on Monday.

South China stated that with Sing Tao not playing in the First Division, most of the players would be playing for South China this season, so that they would have a surplus of First Division players. If these First Division players play in the Second Division, the other teams would be at a disadvantage and competition would not be so keen.

Mr. Kok Hing told the meeting that with the appointment of Mr. Aw Ho as manager of the team, South China would be in a very strong position for players as they would have the services of all the Sing Tao players. Several players from Shanghai would also be playing for South China.

Objected to the admission of two teams from the same club to the First Division was because of the experience gained before the war when South China had two teams in the First Division. The intraclub games were a farce and in some cases the spirit in which these teams played the game was not very high.

The following 12 teams were admitted into the First Division: Club, St. Joseph's, Police, Army, Royal Navy, Royal Air Force, South China, Chinese Athletic, Eastern, Kwong Wah, Kitching and Kowloon Motor Bus.

All the applicants to the Second Division were admitted. As there were 18 teams, it was decided that mid-week games would have to be played. The following were the Junior teams admitted: Club, St. Joseph's, Police, Army, Royal Navy, Small Units, South China (2), Eastern, Chinese Athletic, Kowloon Motor Bus, Kitching, P. C. A., Solicitors' Clerk Association, University, Taikoo Club, Dockyard Recreation Club, and War Department Chinese.

Clubs without grounds are requested to make their own arrangements where their home games are to be played and to inform the Hon. Secretary before July 31.

It was decided that July 31 be the closing date for the Seven-Side Stanley Shield Competition. Clubs may enter any number of teams but all players must be registered with the Association before they play.

Only in exceptional cases the same seven players must play throughout the tournament. The Stanley Shield Competition will be held on the Club ground on September 11, 12, 18 and 19.

BOWLS TEAMS
The following are the Kowloon Bowling Club teams for Saturday's Lawn Bowls League games:

1st Team: Hong Kong Football Club (Home); L.R. Whant, C. Downman, A.J. Hall and J. Fraser (skip); J. Gellatly, A.L.G. Simpson and J. McKelvie (skip); E.S. Pope, E. Greenwood, L.G. Coombes and L. Sykes (skip).

2nd Team: Hong Kong Football Club (Away); R.J. Wigginton, H.A. Lammer, E.A. Atkins and G.E.F. Thompson (skip); P. Phillips, J.S. Dinan, J. Hampsey and L. Guy (skip); W.H. Bailey, K.C. Hamilton, V.C. Dixon and S.H. Strange (skip).

The following will represent the Kowloon Bowling Green against Kowloon Cricket Club on Sunday in the "Liberalisation" competition: J.S. Dinan, V.C. Dixon, A.J. Hall and J. Fraser (skip); E.F. Pope, L.R. Whant, S.H. Strange and J. McKelvie (skip); R.P. Phillips, E. Greenwood, L.G. Coombes and L. Sykes (skip); J. Gellatly, J. Hampsey, A.L.G. Simpson and W.C. Simpson (skip); R.J. Wigginton, H.A. Lammer, E.A. Atkins and G.E.F. Thompson (skip); W.H. Bailey, R. Morrison, C. Downman and L. Guy (skip). Reserves: J.C. Hamilton, V. Chittenden and M.L. Hardie.

SOCCER PLAYERS
Hang Liang-tseng said that although the training was regular, "everyone is taking it fairly easy now with only a few days to go since we do not want to strain ourselves unduly."

Hang Hsien-hyih, the Singapore basketball guard, has been shopping well in practice. At six feet two and one half inches, he stands out among the Chinese group.

He told Reuter's correspondent the Chinese basketball team was feeling the loss of Edward Lee, the forward player, who was left behind ill in Singapore. Even if Lee gets here soon, his absence during the past few days has been particularly unfortunate, Hang Liang-tseng said, because with training now easing up, he will have few opportunities to get back into practice.

Spending the morning buying Olympic souvenirs were Chu Chee-seng, goalkeeper, Chiu Boon-leung, inside left, both of Singapore, and Yap Cheng-ong, left-winger from Tsingchi.

Chu Chee-seng said that, like the other Chinese teams and athletes, the soccer team was now beginning to take its training seriously. "We alternate field practice with training in the gymnasium. What we are mainly concerned about at present is developing our attack. We have proved ourselves good at defence and much will depend on how our forwards will shape in assault."

The trio are taking the opportunity of a lay-up in training to see something of London. This afternoon they were setting off for a few hours to join the holiday-makers in the city.

AUSSIES WIN TENNIS TIE
Havana, July 26.
Australia made a clean sweep of the tennis tie with Cuba today in the semi-final of the American Zone Davis Cup tennis eliminations, taking the final two singles contests.

The Australians had already won the right to play the final with the United States.

"Australian players seem to have more patience and I think they are better judges of pace than the Cubans," said Mr. Moore, the American sportsman, after the match.

Stymie, a seven-year-old, won 1988123 during his career.



Gus Lesnevich, beaten by Freddie Mills on points on Monday night, looks like something out of a Wells novel as he trains with a sparring partner. Gus is wearing the very latest in head guards. — (AP Photo).

KING TO OPEN THE OLYMPICS

London, July 26.
King George, Queen Elizabeth and Princess Elizabeth will watch the 50-minutes march past of the Olympic competitors in Wembley Stadium on Thursday afternoon.

Lord Burghley, Chairman of the Organising Committee, will then invite the King to open the 14th Olympics. King George will do so with the sentence: "I proclaim open the Olympic Games of London, celebrating the 14th Olympiad of the Modern Era."

The opening will take place at 4.00 p.m. BST. At seven minutes past four, the Olympic torch runner is due to arrive in the Stadium.

A farfare of trumpets and a salute of guns will herald the arrival of the torch. With the torch, which has been carried from Mount Zeus in Greece.

Toothache has set back the Singapore hurdler, Hang Liang-tseng—China's Olympic hope for the 400 metres hurdle event—in his training.

School hostel in north-west London, where he is living with the other members of the Chinese group, he told Michael MacDonagh, Reuter's correspondent, that he had suffered great pain for a week. He was treated by a Royal Air Force dentist and has recovered but feels some loss of fitness.

The variable and cold weather of his first few days in England may have been partly responsible for his trouble. It has been trying for the Malayan Chinese in the China group. Becoming acclimatised has been their main training difficulty. A heat wave has hit England over the week-end, and future weather prospects are excellent.

If the weather holds, it will make a big difference in their form during the Games.

Autograph Hunters
Fifty-five more Italians—boxers, gymnasts and horse riders—headed by Giulio Onesti, President of the Italian Olympic Committee, arrived in London tomorrow evening. Other arrivals expected tomorrow are a party of Belgians and the rest of the Egyptian contingent.

The blazing sun today brought out a harvest of flags, bunting and holiday enthusiasm. Youthful autograph hunters haunted the camp entrances while in suburban Richmond and outlying Uxbridge gaily dressed Americans, South Africans, Poles and Yugoslavs mingled with shoppers and chatted with children—Reuter and Associated Press.

OLYMPIC SOCCER GAMES
Two matches in the Olympic Games preliminary soccer tournament were played off today. At Brighton, Luxembourg beat Afghanistan by six goals to nil, after leading 5-0 at half time.

At Portsmouth, Holland beat Elba by three goals to one. Holland will meet Great Britain in the first round at Highbury on Saturday.

In a friendly match the Indian Olympic team beat Haze Club by four goals to one. The Indians were leading 4-0 at half time. —Reuter and Associated Press.

MILLS SHOCKS LESNEVICH

Briton's Revenge In Dull Contest

London, July 26.
Gus Lesnevich fell victim of one of the most sensational boxing ring upsets in recent history tonight, losing his world light heavyweight title to Freddie Mills of Britain, who was thought finished a year ago.

A record crowd of 46,000 shouted wildly when the referee strode quickly across the ring and unhesitatingly lifted Mills' glove in token of victory after 15 rounds of milling.

Lesnevich did not complain about the decision. He told his wife, "I just did not have it tonight."

He entered the ring a one to three favourite, yet from the first round he bled heavily from around both eyes. In the 10th round he was down three times for nine counts from roundhouse lefts to his jaw. Lesnevich weakened himself in making the weight.

Mills landed a wild sucker punch on the American's chin in the first round and he never recovered his composure although he rallied stoutly in the fight's later stages. Lesnevich won the 12th and 13th round by savage attacks.

But Mills, seeing victory within his grasp, pressed in with new vigour in the last two rounds. Lesnevich weighed 174 3/4 pounds. Mills weighed 170 1/2 pounds. Lesnevich knocked out the British light heavyweight champion in the ninth round in May, 1946.

Dull Fight
The stocky, bull-shouldered Mills demonstrated that he shot after the title when he brought a crowd estimated at 46,000 to its feet in the first round by opening gashes over both of Lesnevich's eyes. He floored the American twice in the 10th round.

Generally however, the fight was unexpectedly dull. There was so little action in the ninth round that the referee, Teddy Waltham, threatened to toss both men out of the ring and call the bout a draw.

Although Lesnevich received a guarantee of \$100,000 from an estimated gate of \$280,000, his defeat unquestionably cost him the September shot at the Louis heavyweight crown, should Louis decide to come out of retirement for his last defence.

It also cost him \$150,000 that he might have received as a guarantee for defending the light heavyweight title against Ezzard Charles of Cincinnati at New York in September.

When Mills, rough and tough British restaurant proprietor, received the decision, it marked the first time that an English-born fighter has taken the light heavyweight title since Bob Fitzsimmons won it from George Gardner at San Francisco in 1903.

Deserved Victory
Mills wrapped up the title in the 10th round when he floored Gus Lesnevich for counts of eight and nine. They were the only knockdowns in the fight but on at least three other occasions Lesnevich was on the verge of dropping to his knees.

Ask weighed 126 pounds. Miller, who was born in Scotland and emigrated to Australia, scaled 123 pounds and 13 1/2 ounces.

Billy Thompson, European lightweight boxing champion, fought a 15 round draw in defence of his crown against Pierre Montane of France. —Associated Press.

Doubtful Draw At White City
London, July 26.
Scrappy little Elis Ask of Finland boxed a draw tonight with Eddie Miller, Australian featherweight champion, but only the referee thought it ended in a tie.

The aggressor from the time he connected with a left lead in the opening seconds, Ask hammered Miller about the ring before a crowd of 46,000 fans in White City Stadium.

He opened a cut over Miller's left eye in the fifth round and used it as a target to draw blood from the outclassed Aussie.

At the start of the eighth and final round, Miller was looking worn and Ask assaulted him with lefts and rights that drew blood. The bell saved Miller from being floored at the finish.

Instead of promptly raising the fight, the referee paused for 30 seconds to let his score card and then, to every one's surprise at the ringside, announced a draw.

LANCS COLLAPSE AT MANCHESTER
London, July 26.
Jack Young, the Middlesex left arm slow bowler, who was omitted from the England team, at Headingley, played a big part in the dismissal of the last six Lancashire batsmen in 80 minutes today at Old Trafford for 100 runs.

Although the new ball was due, F. G. Mann, the Middlesex captain, began with his spinners, who proved a great success. Young, claiming three of the wickets today for 22, returned full figures of 26.5 overs, 11 maidens, 53 runs and six wickets.

J. G. Dewar, the Cambridge University left-hander, showed that there was nothing to worry about in the pitch by scoring a brilliant 103 for Middlesex in just over three hours. His best ball being 14 fours and one five.

George Watson in the unfamiliar role of opening batsman for Leicestershire scored his first century of the summer out of 127 in 100 minutes against Sussex at Leicester.

G. W. Herman with his right arm medium pace deliveries gave the Gloucestershire batsman a great deal of trouble, against Hampshire at Bournemouth. After tea he took three wickets in seven balls for three runs and his full figures from the interval until he dismissed the last man were 18.3 overs, one maiden, 28 runs and six wickets. Herman's figures for the innings were 52.2 overs, 10 maidens, 174 runs and eight wickets.

At Northampton, Warwickshire 122 and 255 (Donnelly 63, Spooner 51) and Glamorgan 254 (H. Davies 42) at Bournemouth, Gloucestershire 167 and 225 (Herman eight for 70) Hampshire 231 (Goddard five for 68) and 90 for no wicket. —Reuter.

Curve To H.K.

The typhoon entered the China Sea northeast of Manila on Sunday afternoon moving west-north-west then north-west to 46 miles.

On Monday afternoon, the storm was located 150 miles south-south-east of Pratas Islands tending to recurve northwards. Information thereafter was scanty.

At 4 a.m. yesterday, as President McKinley, on her way from Manila to Hong Kong, reported that the storm had resumed its northwesterly track.

This was a definite curve towards Hong Kong. As a result, the No. 1 Typhoon Signal was hoisted at 4.50 a.m. At 9 a.m. there were indications that the Colony would experience gales. The No. 7 Signal (indicating northeast winds) was hoisted. The typhoon at 11 a.m. was 70 miles south-east of Hong Kong moving north-west or north-north-west.

At 1.20 p.m. the gale was 30 miles of 21.6 degrees north, 114.7 degrees east moving north-west or north-north-west at 10 knots.

At 3 p.m., the typhoon was at 22.2 degrees north, 114.4 degrees east moving north-west or north-north-west at 10 knots with a wind force of No. 9 near the centre) about 20 miles east of the City of Victoria and expected to go back to the south-west.

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At 6 p.m. the typhoon was located 22.4 degrees north, 114.4 degrees east moving north-west or north-north-west at 15 knots. It was then 15 miles east by north of Hong Kong.

Three hours later the centre of the typhoon had shifted only two degrees north moving north still at five knots and showing signs of filling up.

The evening wind force registered in Hong Kong yesterday was 40 miles an hour with one gust registering 73 miles. At Kai Tak a 68-mile gust was recorded at 2.05 p.m.

The barometer at the Royal Observatory began to drop at 2 p.m. yesterday. During the 12 hours ended at 2 p.m. it dropped from 29.50 to 29.25. The recording was 29.16 at 4 p.m. with the barometer continuing to fall.

The temperature registered at 2 p.m. on Monday was 86.3 degrees. At 7 p.m. yesterday it was 77.5 degrees.

Between 1 a.m. and 2 p.m. yesterday, 1.90 inches of rain were recorded.

ENGLAND PAIR'S WORLD RECORD

Leeds, July 26.
On the fourth day of the fourth Test the pitch was a trifle dusty and showing slight signs of taking spin, and the experts were talking of England winning their first victory against Australia since 1938.

Hutton and Washbrook created a new world record for Test cricket when for the second time they opened with a century stand in each innings in a Test match.

The previous occasion was their 137 and 100 in the fourth Test at Adelaide during the last English tour in Australia.

It was their sixth 100 stand in all Tests and while other pairs have made century stands in each innings of a Test, nobody previously had accomplished the feat twice.

It gave England a good start in their second innings, when the home country almost equalled Australia's scoring rate of Saturday. (Australia had scored 394 in six hours; England's 362 was obtained in 25 minutes less time).

There was a glorious hour and three quarters after tea when England hammered an attack depleted by Toshack's absence for 153 runs. Edrich and Compton added another to their list of century stands, and in a grand finish to the day, stumper Godfrey Evans hit a brilliant 47 not out.

Washbrook was superbly confident and it was a wonderful catch by young Neil Harvey which dismissed him. Hutton took a mighty hit off a ball from Johnston but succeeded only in sending the ball high into the air. Bradman held the catch at mid-on.

Compton's chin was grazed by a bumper from Lindwall but he was unhurt. Lindwall tried more bumpers which Compton hooked for four as though he was flicking a fly from his face.

England wickets began to tumble, probably owing to the policy of getting runs quickly, which led to chances being taken. At the close of play England were exactly 400 runs in front. —Reuter.

STYMIE TO RETIRE
New York, July 26.
Stymie, the world's leading money winning horse, which won 1,000 races, will be retired, according to Y. Jandis, said today.

Stymie, a seven-year-old, won 1988123 during his career.

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